

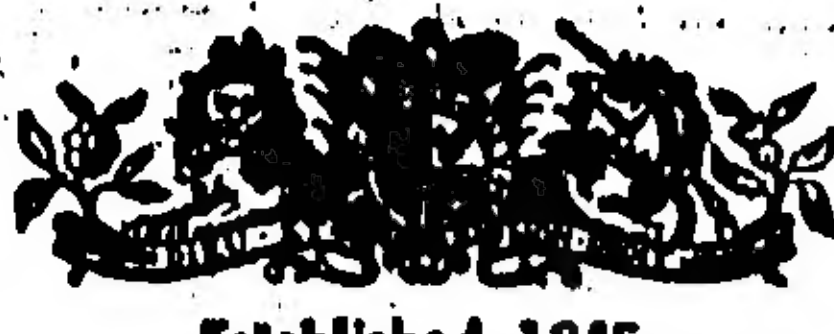
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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Menzies Wins

THE Australian federal elections did not produce the decisive swing to the left which the Labour Party had so confidently predicted, and although the Menzies-Fadden coalition conceded some seats, the Liberal-Country Party will be able to govern for another term with a clear majority. The outcome must be disappointing to the Socialists inasmuch the elections were fought almost wholly on domestic issues and the Labourites were certain their state welfare programme would prove irresistible to the electors. The answer given by the country is that it still prefers Mr Menzies' more moderate domestic policies. Moreover the Government went to the polls with a good record. The country's financial condition had shown decided improvement over three years; labour strife had, if anything, been less marked than in previous periods; inflation had continued to rear its ugly head, but had not been allowed to get out of hand; employment figures were comparable. Mr Menzies, therefore, was able to go to the country with a presentable record of achievement, while the Socialists had the less enviable task of trying to persuade the electors that if they were returned to power, their achievements would pale those of the Liberal-Country Party into insignificance. The Socialists failed in this quest, yet it is noteworthy that they obtained a higher percentage of the total vote than their successful opponents. This, in large part, was attributable to the fact that they piled up huge majorities in heavily populated areas, which, however, only gained for them a limited number of seats. From the point of view of Australian foreign policy it would have made little difference which party won the elections. As in Britain, there is no wide divergence between the Socialists and right wing parties in the wider field of international affairs and relations. But the election result at least ensures full continuity of Australian foreign policy. Mr Menzies is entitled to consider that he has received a mandate to consolidate the country's affiliations under the ANZUS pact, and to feel free, if he so desires, to go ahead in committing Australian participation in the suggested Southeast Asian defence scheme.

Surprise Templer Decision
TOP NATO APPOINTMENT IS CALLED OFF
On Long Leave

London, June 1.

The British War Office suddenly called off the assignment of its top Southeast Asia Communist fighter to Germany tonight and said he will get "an important military appointment later."

A terse announcement said it was decided not to carry out the appointment of Gen. Sir Gerald Templer as General Officer Commanding the British army on the Rhine, Britain's major NATO force on the continent.

Gen. Templer left Singapore yesterday after serving as High Commissioner to Malaya where Britain has been fighting Communist guerrillas since world War II. His impending assignment to Germany, a top NATO command, was announced last year.

The War Office said Gen. Templer has been granted a "long leave" and plans for his "future employment in an important military appointment" will be announced later.

There was no hint as to Gen. Templer's future role.

Deck Boy Disappears

New York, June 1.

Cunard Line officials today reported to the New York Police the disappearance of Patrick O'Brien Williams, a deck boy on the liner Britannic.

They said the Britannic docked here on May 15 and Patrick went ashore to see the Armed Forces Day parade. His 17-year-old brother, William James Williams, is a waiter on the liner George, which sailed for Cebu and Southampton today. Cunard officials said Patrick had only the clothes he was wearing and about \$8.40 in currency when he went ashore. William told newsmen his brother had never disappeared before, that in letters home Patrick had said he disliked America as "too big", and he had left all his gear on the Britannic.

A Cunard official went to the New York City Police with William to report the disappearance but was unable to furnish them with any leads. William said he and his brother came from Holyhead, North Wales, where they had lived in a children's home after the death of their father from injuries sustained in World War II.—United Press.

The change in assignments was disclosed shortly after Field Marshal Sir John Harding, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, left London for Washington to attend the five-nation Far Eastern military talks.

"We shall discuss our mutual problems in the Far East and make recommendations to the various governments," Marshal Harding said before his departure tonight. "We plan to discuss the whole of the Far Eastern situation as regards the military aspects."

"I am not limiting myself to time—no time limit has been set for the conference," he said. Field Marshal Harding led a delegation of British officers including Maj-Gen. E. K. C. Sissons, Chief of Staff to Britain's Commander-in-Chief in the Far East.

Britain's policy in Southeast Asia may be discussed in the House of Commons tomorrow. Socialist MP Emrys Hughes introduced a question asking Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill to outline Field Marshal Harding's instructions.

VIEWS APPROVED
Gen. Templer, 56-year-old World War II commander, directed Malaya's political development and commanded the military forces that pushed back Red terrorists infiltrating the rich jungle.

He is now en route to England after two years in Malaya. His views on military strategy in Southeast Asia are known to have the approval of Admiral Arthur Radford, Chairman of the US Joint Chiefs-of-Staff.

The War Office said Gen. Templer had been granted long leave. "He will not take over command of the British Army of the Rhine from General Sir Richard Gale in the autumn as previously announced," the statement said.

Plans for General Templer's future employment in an important military appointment will be announced later.

The War Office would not say whether Gen. Templer's new post would be in Britain or outside the country. But the fact that it had been decided not to saddle him with an occupation army job, plus his extensive knowledge of Southeast Asia and experience in fighting rebels there, inevitably led to speculation here that his future post will be connected with British or Allied military policies in that area.—United Press.

MAIL TRAIN DERAILED

Dacca, June 1.

The crack Sylhet Chittagong passenger mail train was derailed 43 miles from Dacca last night, killing one woman and injuring at least 30, according to reports reaching here.

The reports said all seven coaches and engine left the track. Cause of the derailment was not known. It was also reported tonight an attempt was made to sabotage the Chittagong mail train 80 miles from Dacca last week. It failed when the engine driver discovered a heavy iron bar laid across the tracks.—Reuter.

He Shot 3 Men, Then Killed Himself



Here is Nathan Goldberg, ex-Irish Guardsman, who recently went berserk with a gun in London, shot three men (one fatally) and then killed himself in a taxi while being chased by the Police. At the inquest held last week, Goldberg was said to be a man with a "chip on his shoulder."—London Express photo.

Indo-China Ceasefire: Militarists Begin Talks Today

Geneva, June 2.

Representatives of the opposing High Commands in Indo-China meet here today to begin drafting details of a ceasefire and regrouping of forces in Vietnam, it was announced here last night.

At the same time, ministers of the nine nations trying to end the seven-year war will resume their secret sessions with the West expected to submit counter-proposals to Russia's suggestion that India, Pakistan, Poland and Czechoslovakia should form a neutral nations armistice commission.

The two military delegates—Colonel Michel de Brebisson of France and Colonel Ho Van Lau of the Vietnamese regime—also agreed that prisoners of war on both sides should be able to send and receive letters. They agreed in principle on the exchange of sick and seriously wounded prisoners but said this matter could only be settled after consultations between High Command representatives.

Mr Vyncheslav Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Minister, back from his surprise week-end flight to Moscow, will preside at today's 10th closed session in the Palace of Nations. The West are expected to submit counter-proposals to Russia's suggestion that an Indo-China armistice commission should comprise India, Pakistan, Poland and Czechoslovakia.

Within half an hour of Mr Molotov's return here yesterday morning, he was visited by Mr Chou En-lai, Chinese Prime Minister and Foreign Minister. Mr. Eden, General. Bodell Smith and Mr. Biddart yesterday discussed their reply to the neutral commission proposal put to the nine-nation conference on Monday by Mr Andrei Gromyko, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister.

Officials of the six non-Communist powers at the talks—the "Big Three" and the Indo-China Associated of Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia—also held a series of informal consultations. They will probably meet as a group before today's secret session.

The High Command representatives were announced to General last Saturday when the Indo-China conference

More Headaches For Laniel

New Minister Quits

Paris, June 1.

Premier Joseph Laniel tonight sought two strong men for the post of Supreme Indo-China Commander and Secretary of State for Indo-China after Marshal Alphonse Juin and the Gaullists flatly turned down the offers.

Authoritative sources disclosed that the outspoken Marshal had rejected the bid to go to Indo-China now, even with the promise of special wide powers. And the dissident Gaullist (URAS) group today instructed its member, M. Raymond Schmittlein, to step down from the post of Secretary of State for the Associated States of Indo-China.

M. Schmittlein was sworn in last night to replace M. Marc Jacquet, who quit in disagreement over the Indo-China policy and the handling of the Geneva negotiations, but he told M. Laniel his acceptance would be conditional only if he secured the accord of his group.

M. Schmittlein turned in his resignation tonight.

NEGATIVE ANSWER
Marshal Juin, who is at odds with the government for his opposition to the European Army project, gave a negative answer to the Minister of State, M. Edmond Batistelin, who contacted him yesterday, the sources said.

The Gaullist decision that M. Schmittlein should quit and that no URAS member should take the post will compel the Premier to turn to other coalition groups, which in turn will affect the delicate balance in the multi-party coalition team.

The Gaullist action, however, produced sarcastic comments in political quarters, where it was recalled that the Indo-China war started when General Charles de Gaulle's supporters held responsible posts.

The appointment of a new Supreme Commander of Indo-China and M. Jacquet's successor will be one of the topics at tomorrow's Cabinet session under President Rene Coty, starting in the morning at Elysee Palace.—United Press.

"BLACK RAIN" ON TOKYO

Tokyo, June 1.

Falling of "black rain" in a considerable area of this city on Monday afternoon caused some people to become panicky but they were assured by the Weather Bureau that the rain was not dangerous.

The rain was described as black as India ink mixed with water.

Weather Bureau experts said the rain at the beginning was highly radioactive showing a count of 1,000 counts but it quickly diminished to 500.

They said that the rain was not injurious to the human body. They said that the black rain was caused by it absorbing dust and smoke in the air above Tokyo.—United Press.

Sir Winston Loses Black Swan

London, June 1.

Anyone spotting a strange black swan is being urged at once to get in touch with Sir Winston Churchill at No. 10 Downing Street, as soon as possible—for Britain's Prime Minister has lost a swan.

The missing bird is one of a group of four presented to him by the Australian Government four years ago.—France Press.

ATOMIC EXPERT RATED A LOYAL CITIZEN

But Board Votes Against His Reinstatement

Washington, June 1.

The Special Security Board set up to investigate Dr Robert J. Oppenheimer, the man who directed the building of the world's first atomic bomb, has recommended that he not be allowed access to atomic secrets.

The three-man Board recorded its decision by a vote of two to one, but gave as its opinion that he was "a loyal citizen."

Lawyers for Dr Oppenheimer quoted the decision as saying Dr Oppenheimer's conduct and associations reflected a disregard for the security system.

The Board said it found "a susceptibility to influence" and concluded that he "had been less than candid in several instances in his testimony."

Mr Herbert Marks, Dr Oppenheimer's counsel, has asked the Atomic Energy Commission to reconsider the Board's decision.

The Commission announced on April 13 that Dr Oppenheimer had been suspended as an adviser on atomic matters. Pending a security review, President Eisenhower ordered that "a blank wall be placed between Dr Oppenheimer and any secret data."

The three-man Board set up to review the case was under the chairmanship of Mr Gordon Gray, President of North Carolina University and a former Secretary of the Army. The other members were Mr Thomas A. Morgan, former President of the Sperry Corporation, and Dr Ward V. Evans, Professor of Chemistry at Loyola University, Chicago.

Among the accusations against him were that he contributed to the Communist cause from 1940 to 1942, hired Communists during the war and strongly opposed the making of the hydrogen bomb.

Mr Herbert Marks, Dr Oppenheimer's counsel, said today he was notified of the Board's decision in a letter dated May 23 and immediately asked the Atomic Energy Commission to reconsider the Board's decision. He asked permission to file briefs.

The letter from the Commission told Dr Oppenheimer that the Security Board had recommended "that your clearance not be reinstated."

Mr Marks said Mr Gray and Mr Morgan had voted that Dr Oppenheimer not be given atomic secrets. Mr Evans dissented.

The Board came to the "clear conclusion" that Dr Oppenheimer was "a loyal citizen."

FOUR CONCLUSIONS
But it said that:

1. We find that Dr Oppenheimer's continuing conduct and associations have reflected a serious disregard for the requirements of the security system.

2. We have found a susceptibility to influence which could have serious implications for the security interests of the country.

3. We find his conduct in the hydrogen bomb programme sufficiently disturbing as to raise a doubt as to whether his future participation, if characterized by the same attitudes in a Government programme relating to the national defence, would be clearly consistent with the best interests of security.

4. We have regretfully concluded that Dr Oppenheimer has been less than candid in several instances in his testimony before this Board.

The Board said that in reaching its conclusion "it had sought to consider the 'whole question.' It had not tried to consider loyalty, character and associations or any period of Dr Oppenheimer's life separately."

"The most serious findings which this Board could make would be that of 'disloyalty,' the statement said.

"We have come to a clear conclusion, which 'should be reassuring to the people of this country, that he is a loyal citizen."

"If this were the only consideration, therefore, we would recommend that the reinstatement of his clearance would not be a danger to the common defence and security."

"We have, however, been unable to arrive at the conclusion that it would be clearly consistent with the security interests of the United States to reinstate Dr Oppenheimer's clearance and, therefore, do not so recommend."

Dr Oppenheimer now a Professor at the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton University, took over the Los Alamos atomic project in 1943 at the age of 35.

The Atomic Energy Commission refused Dr Oppenheimer access to the files last December 23.

The Commission declined today to comment on Dr Oppenheimer's case.—Reuter.



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The Hague, June 1.
A report issued today by 74 leading Western politicians, industrialists and trade unionists from 12 countries, said the Western cause might lose millions of people in Asia and Africa if a Western military success in Indo-China were not accompanied by a satisfactory political programme.

The delegates had attended a three-day unofficial meeting here at the invitation of Prince Bernhard, husband of Queen Juliana, who presided. The secret talks concluded last night.

Among those present were Mr. Hugh Gaitskell, former British Chancellor of the Exchequer, Signor Alcide de Gasperi, former Italian Prime Minister, M. Pierre Henri Teltgen, Deputy French Premier, Mr. P. Kanellopoulos, Greek Defence Minister, Mr. D. Rockefeller, a leading United States banker, M. Antoine Pinay, former French Premier, and Mr. Ole Bjoern Kraft, former Danish Foreign Minister.

Prince Bernhard, who presided at the meeting, told reporters today that they had agreed there was no objection to expanding trade with Russia, provided that strategic exports were regulated by agreement.

A statement summarising the results of the meeting also said:
1. Faced with the threat of aggressive Communism, the Western nations "are in the same boat."
2. Some of the tension between the United States and Western Europe resulted from "the lack of adequate consultation before important public steps were taken."
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Russia Buying £18 Million Worth Of Ships From West Germany

Berlin, June 1.
The directors of the Howaldt shipyards at Kiel, West Germany, have returned from Moscow with two orders, worth a total of £18,000,000.

They refused to give details. But director Oskar Fritz revealed that one contract, worth 80,000,000 marks (£7,000,000) was fixed six months ago for ten special fishing cannery ships. "This visit was to tie up certain technical details," he said. "It is a cash order—and firm."

The second contract is worth 120,000,000 marks (£11,000,000) and is for 15 smaller vessels.

Said Herr Fritz: "This is not for cash but against certain Soviet goods at counter-deliveries."
He would not say what goods were involved, but added: "The contract will come to fruition because the West German Government will take over the necessary negotiations."
Next month he is to fly again to Moscow to discuss further business.

How West Can Win The Cold War

Bonn, June 1.
The West German Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, said today that once the European defence and political communities had been established the cold war would be over, won by the free world.

Russia would then enter a new phase of its policy, he told a party meeting. It would have to consider whether there was any point in spending huge sums on armaments at a time when her people were in need.

Dr. Adenauer said Russia knew that "we want peace not only for Europe, but for the whole world."

Herr Erich Ollenhauer, chairman of the Social Democratic (Opposition) Party, said he was convinced that negotiations on Germany would reopen in the foreseeable future between the United States, Russia, France and Britain.

In the meantime, he told a party meeting, the West German Government must work to reduce international tension. — Reuter.

All In The Back Of A Car!



While Molly Frith rinses sand from her feet in the car's built-in washbasin, which has hot and cold water, Nola Rose enjoys a cup of tea made with an electric kettle. They are trying out the new luxurious 'Countryman' body built on either a Rolls-Royce Silver Dawn or Bentley chassis. Although the car looks just the same from outside, the Countryman body also contains an ice-box, pull-out tables, a picnic set for four persons, electric shaver as well as smaller items such as pipe racks, a thermos flask, beakers and glasses. Even so, when only two people are travelling folding rear seats provide ample luggage space for the longest tour. — Reuterphoto.

US Official Defends Plan For Farm Price Supports

St. Louis, June 1.
The Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Ezra Taft Benson, today described the Administration's proposed programme of flexible farm price supports as one "that will be sound for farmers in the short run and in the long run."

The present programme of rigid supports "taxes the American people for abundance only to deny them the full benefits of abundance," he said in a speech prepared for a meeting of the St. Louis Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Benson said he would not heed the warnings of some that the Administration's programme was poor politics.

"There should be no room for narrow partisan prejudices in this question," he said. "We are dealing with something that affects the welfare of all farmers—of all business—of all working people—of all consumers."

The Secretary said there was nothing new about flexible price supports and that they have been part of the Government's farm programme for many years.

BIG EXPENDITURE
"Prior to the Second World War," he said, "we had flexible supports ranging between 62 and 75 per cent of parity. Even today we are supporting more commodities on a flexible basis than under the high rigid plan."

Mr. Benson said the Commodity Credit Corporation was

spending more than \$700,000 a day just to store surplus commodities bought under the Government's price support operations.

The programme, recommended by the administration, Mr. Benson said, would place more emphasis on the type of agriculture needed to produce the kind of diets the American people wanted.

He added it would help to move more farm products into wider use at home and abroad and would encourage sound land use. — Reuter.

London, June 1.
Tass, the official Soviet news agency, said today that President Eisenhower in last night's New York speech had "passed over in silence" that the United States has been stubbornly rejecting the Soviet proposal for countries to renounce the use of atom and hydrogen bombs.

(President Eisenhower said last night that attempts to obtain the Soviet Union's cooperation in his plan for a world atomic energy pool had "not been productive of the results we have seen.") — Reuter.

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BITTER ATTACK ON SENATOR MCCARTHY

Republican Accuses Him Of Splitting Nation, Party And Catholic Church CHARGED WITH USING "HITLER TACTICS"

Washington, June 1.

Republican Senator Ralph E. Flanders accused Senator McCarthy today of splitting the nation, the Republican Party and the Catholic Church.

He said Senator McCarthy "could not have done a better job" for the Communists if he were in their pay.

Senator Flanders played Senator McCarthy in a Senate speech. He said the Army-McCarthy inquiry had not probed into what he called the "real heart of the mystery—the personal relationships" between Senator McCarthy, Roy M. Cohn and G. David Schine.

He told the Senate today that the anti-Communist campaign of Senator McCarthy "so completely parallels that of Adolf Hitler as to strike fear into the heart of any defenceless minority."

Senator Flanders compared Senator McCarthy with a popular American cartoon character, "Dennis the Menace," a small boy whose mischief-making, family and neighborhood chaos, take little Dennis, Senator Flanders said, McCarthy spread division and confusion wherever he goes.

Referring to the current Army-McCarthy hearings, Senator Flanders said: "That mystery concerns the personal relationships of the Army private, the staff assistant and the Senator."

He said that the staff assistant, a reference to Cohn, "seems to have an almost pathological anxiety" to retain the services of Private Schine. He asked: "Why?"

He said Senator McCarthy, although at times anxious to "rid himself of the whole mess," seems to support Cohn's efforts "at least in the presence of his assistant."

THE REAL ISSUE

"Does the assistant have some hold on the Senator? Can it be that Mr. Dennis, so effective in making trouble for his elders, has at last gotten into trouble himself?" Sen. Flanders asked.

"Does the committee plan to investigate the real issues at stake?" he asked.

Urging the investigating subcommittee to look into the personal relationships involved, Senator Flanders did not mention the principles in the hearings by name but simply referred to "the relationship of the staff assistant to the army private," and to "the Senator himself."

UNREST AMONG JEWS

He accused Senator McCarthy of splitting the unity of the Catholic Church, of which McCarthy is a member, and causing unrest among the Jewish population.

"Note for instance the foreboding he inspires in our fellow citizens of Jewish blood and faith. Among them this is well-nigh universal, in spite of the fact that his two closest associates are Hebrews," Senator Flanders said.

He charged that Senator McCarthy, during the Congressional investigation of the Mulmudy massacre during the 80th Congress, displayed a "strange tenderness" for the "Nazi ruffians involved."

In the House, Democratic Representative Emmanuel Celler introduced resolution urging the Justice Department to investigate what he called Senator McCarthy's "spy network" in the government. Mr. Celler said the network was "stealing secret documents, in violation of the law."

DEEPEST SUSPICION

Meanwhile, Senator McCarthy's personal secretary testified under oath on the authenticity of anti-Army memoranda, which the Army said it viewed with "deepest suspicion."

The secretary, Mrs. Mary Driscoll, was called before the Senate investigating committee in the 24th day of its hearings on the Army-McCarthy dispute.

She was asked to supply details about the preparation of memoranda that were released by Senator McCarthy in the early stages of his public row with the Army.—United Press.

Young Girls Object To School Milk For Their Figures' Sake

London, June 1.

An indication that young girls are as anxious as their mothers about their figures was quoted at the conference of the National Dairywomen's Association, which was held at Llandudno.

Outlining features of the "Drink more milk campaign," Mr. W. R. Trehan, chairman of the National Milk Publicity Council, said: "We must not rest content until there is 100 per cent consumption of milk in the schools, but in this respect we are faced with a difficulty."

"In some places there seems to be a cult against milk in schools, particularly among teenage girls who have become figure conscious."

Lord Hudson, the war-time Minister of Agriculture, suggested the manufacture of cottage cheese, similar to Yorkshire curdle, as the answer to the problem of excess production.

Others were held after a minor clash between rival factions at a juke mill.

An official communiqué said: "The situation throughout the province remains quiet."

70 More People Arrested In East Bengal

Dacca, June 1.

More than 70 people were arrested in East Bengal today, bringing the total to about 220 in three days.

Those arrested included six members of the newly elected Provincial Assembly.

Others were held after a minor clash between rival factions at a juke mill.

An official communiqué said: "The situation throughout the province remains quiet."

Tomb May Hold Mummy 3,500 Years Old

Cairo, June 1. Archaeologist Kamal El Mallakh, discoverer of two "ships of death" in the Great Pyramid, said today he has found an untouched tomb which may contain the 3,500-year-old mummy of an Egyptian nobleman.

El Mallakh said he stumbled upon the tomb while exploring walls of the underground chamber containing the "death boats" of Cheops, Egyptian Pharaoh who built the pyramids.

The nobleman's tomb possibly contains a mummy and pottery containers holding his earthly possessions, El Mallakh said.

El Mallakh found the tomb three weeks ago by boring a hole through a thick limestone wall which was buried beneath the desert sands near the Great Pyramid of Giza.

Mustapha Aerni, Director of Antiquities, said that the tomb, designed to carry Cheops to the afterworld, undoubtedly had remained untouched for more than 3,500 years.—United Press.

Officials To Prepare Saar Pact

Paris, June 1.

Leading French Foreign Ministry officials are meeting in Paris this week in an attempt to draw up the text of a Franco-German agreement on the future of the Saar, a French Foreign Ministry spokesman said today.

He said, M. Maurice Schumann, French Secretary of State at the Foreign Office, M. Gilbert Gruval, French Ambassador to the Saar, and M. Francois Seydoux, Director of German Affairs at the French Foreign Ministry, met yesterday and hoped to complete their draft next week when Franco-German discussions may resume.

The spokesman said the text was based on the "Van Naters plan" for the "Europeanization" of the Saar.

The plan, named after its author, Dutch Socialist Minister Van Naters, suggests the appointment of a European Commissioner by the Council of Europe to handle the Saar's external and defence affairs.

It also proposes to replace the present Franco-Saar economic union by a 50-year contract with the gradual establishment of a common Saar-German market during this period.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Keen Analysis Wins Most Hands

By OSWALD JACOBY

HOW should South play for the ninth trick in today's hand? He is sure of one spade, two hearts, three diamonds, and two clubs. The ninth trick is somewhat harder to find.

When the hand was actually played, South gave himself every chance to find the ninth trick. West opened the king of spades, holding the first trick. He continued with the queen of spades, East discarded a diamond, and South won with the ace.

South saw that there was a chance for an extra trick if the suit broke 3-3 and if West could be kept out of the lead. He therefore led a low club from his hand. When West played the four, South played the six.

NORTH		26	
♠ 532			
♥ A9			
♦ K64			
♣ A92			
WEST		EAST	
♠ KQJ104	♠ D		
♥ Q53	♥ J872		
♦ 532	♦ 10987		
♣ 84	♣ QJ107		
SOUTH (D)			
♠ A87			
♥ K104			
♦ A Q J			
♣ K53			
North-South vul			
South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	2 ♣	Pass
2 ♥	Pass	3 NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		
Opening lead - ♠ K			

of clubs from dummy, allowing East to win with the seven. East returned the queen of clubs, and South won with the king.

South still didn't know whether or not the clubs would break, but there was no need for haste in finding out. He next tried to get an extra trick in hearts. He led a low heart from his hand and finessed dummy's nine. This would produce an extra heart trick if West had three to the queen, three to the jack, or four small cards.

East won with the jack of hearts and returned the jack of clubs. It was now evident that the clubs were not going to break, so declarer took dummy's ace of clubs, cashed the ace of hearts, and got to this hand with a diamond to take the king of hearts.

When the queen of hearts fell from the West hand, South's ten of hearts was established as his ninth trick.

♥ CARD Sense ♥

Q—With both sides vulnerable, the bidding has been:
North East South West
1 Diamond 1 Spade ?

You, South, hold: Spades A-Q, Hearts A-5-2, Diamonds 9-8-3-2, Clubs Q-10-4-2. What do you do?

A—Bid two no-trump. This promises the usual 13 to 15 points, balanced distribution, and at least two stoppers in the enemy's suit. If you had one or two more spades, you would prefer a penalty double, but a double with only two trumps is somewhat risky.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades A-Q, Hearts A-5-2, Diamonds 9-8-3-2, Clubs K-Q-J-2. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2

BORN today, you build your life around your home and hearth and there you are able to find all the pleasure and enjoyment you desire. You are fond of looking on the bright side of things and are sometimes not practical. Fond of reading, you will want a large library of your own. You are religious, but inclined to be a little narrow in your views. It might be wiser for you to become a little more liberal in your outlook on life. You have more than a little of the hermit in you, and you might be perfectly content if you never wed. You enjoy the company of congenial friends, but you will not go out of your way to make new acquaintances. This is a strange rule in your nature, for you are actually

very affectionate and even demonstrative among those who are within your close circle of friendship and love.

You have a good head for business and will be successful financially throughout life. You may not accumulate a large fortune, yet you might, if you wished—but you will always have sufficient.

Among those who were born on this date are: Pope X, Sir Edward Elgar, composer; Thomas Hardy, author, and John Randolph, statesman.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

THURSDAY, JUNE 3

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)—You must be realistic today and play on the job even though you would much rather be on vacation.
CANCER (June 22-July 22)—Cultivate the social aspect of life a little more. This can be to your distinct advantage some day.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)—Avoid any kind of an emotional upset. Get a good, hard, realistic look at your patience and fortitude.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—Slow rather than hasty action will get you more firmly on the road to success. Foster in the long run.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)—Make each day a further step toward your ultimate goal. Persistence is what pays off.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)—Be as persistent as you can be with the things you are doing. If you really seek expert advice.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Your natural skills and capabilities should bring you very near to your goal this day.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—You may need to get some repair work done around the house. Call in a professional if you can't do it yourself.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—A fine day for both work and pleasure. Get a lot of things done. You should get ahead with this plan.
PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Don't let the day get away from you. Get a real reason. Remember the advice about rolling stones.
ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—If you have a garden, now you can be spending pleasant hours in it after work. A beautiful garden is a joy.
TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 20)—Be as determined as you know how to be. Do not let anything stand in your way. You need to make a decision.



"I don't know whether I can make that meeting tonight or not, Joe—it depends on how the big chair looks in the corner by the window."

• BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

HOW many complacent people know—may, how many care to know that elephants are still dried by hand, as in the days of Hannibal?

A trainer said to a reporter the other day: "It's a big job drying five rain-soaked elephants." He there is one consolation, by the time you have dried half an elephant, and run round to do the other half, that second half will have dried of its own accord, unless you have been fool enough to leave the beast standing in the rain while you dry it. Get it under cover, and work methodically to a plan. If it is restless, sing something to it.

The humanitarian Rajah of Dhanuair had an enormous howdah constructed, which protected not only him but his elephant from the rain. But the crowds complained that they could not see him, as he sat so high. So he had a large hole punched in the front of the howdah. Through this the rain poured, wetting both man and beast. Life is always like that. Or nearly always.

Petrol and coal menaced

IS solidified mackerel's breath destined to be the new fuel? Dr. Strabismus (Whom God Preserves) of Utrecht has succeeded in isolating a small herd of mackerel at Wageningen, having suspected that their breath was rich in tolderol and streptomium. The fish breathed into a non-porous vat made of mica, and the breath thus collected was solidified by the Pinger process. With one gramme of this breath the sage succeeded in driving a toy

engine one hundred and four yards, at speeds varying between 2 miles and 1½ miles per hour.

Not that I care

A PROPOSAL to put an "a" into the last syllable of Llanwrthwl in Breconshire, to make it easier for motorists to read, has been rejected. If there were a real Welshman (instead of being merely an honorary druid of Cardiff) I would take out the only "a" in the word. Llanwrthwl would be mistaken for the initials of some new political or cultural body, and the little place would become famous in no time.

A voice from the past

YESTERDAY was issued the interim report of a royal commission appointed in 1940. As it only came out last month for the first time, the report simply states that its purpose has not yet been discovered. Several of the names of members have been lost, and the rest have no idea what it is all about. This commission may perhaps turn out to be the one appointed to inquire into the composition of synthetic gravities.

(London Express Service)

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Knarf Is A Fine Pretender

—He Can Turn Himself Into Any Animal at All!

By MAX TRELL

"YOU certainly look funny," Hanid, the shadow-girl with the turned-about name, said to her brother Knarf when she walked into the room. There was Knarf, standing against the wall, or rather on the wall. She almost didn't recognise him, however. He had horns sprouting from his head and four enormous, thick legs.

"What are you doing?" she inquired in a puzzled voice.

"I'm pretending I'm animals in a zoo," answered Knarf from the wall. "And I don't look funny," he added sharply. "At least I don't think so!"

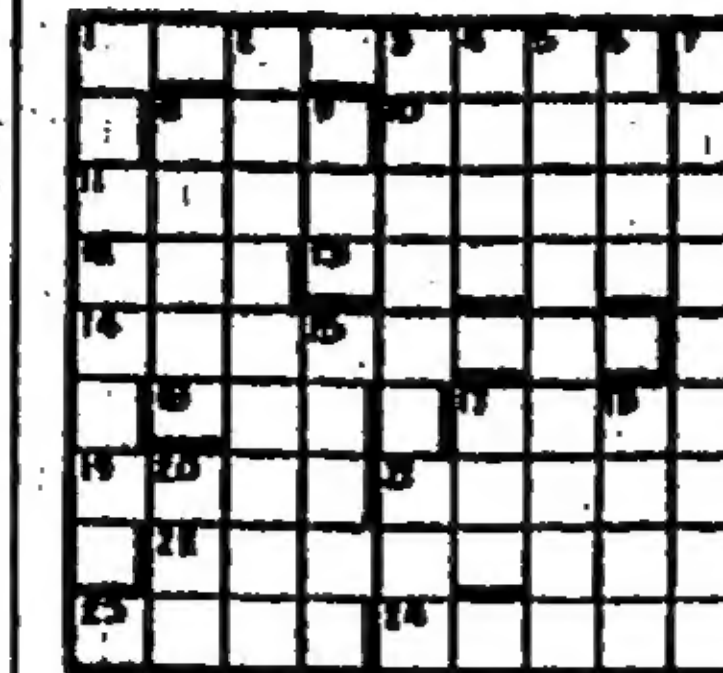
What Is He?

"You don't look like any animal I've ever seen before. What are you?"

"Oh," said Knarf. "I'm right in the middle of being two different animals. I'm a deer that's becoming an elephant. My nose is the elephant's trunk. Just watch!"

Hanid watched. Slowly Knarf's nose grew longer and longer until finally it took on

CROSSWORD



Across
1. Dave gets mixed up with four. (8)
8. Brandy one figure in smuggling. (8)
10. Just a wanderer. (8)
11. You can't label this horror. (9)
12. Born in France. (3)
13. An 8 Across when it grows up. (8)
14. They may do this to sugar soon. (8)
15. Old one visits Dartmoor. (3)
16. John Gilpin made one. (4)
17. A ceremony here. (4)
18. Your boy at school can make circles round these. (6)
22. They bring things up to date. (8)
23. Remainder takes it easy. (4)
24. Doctor gets mixed up with the sea. (5)

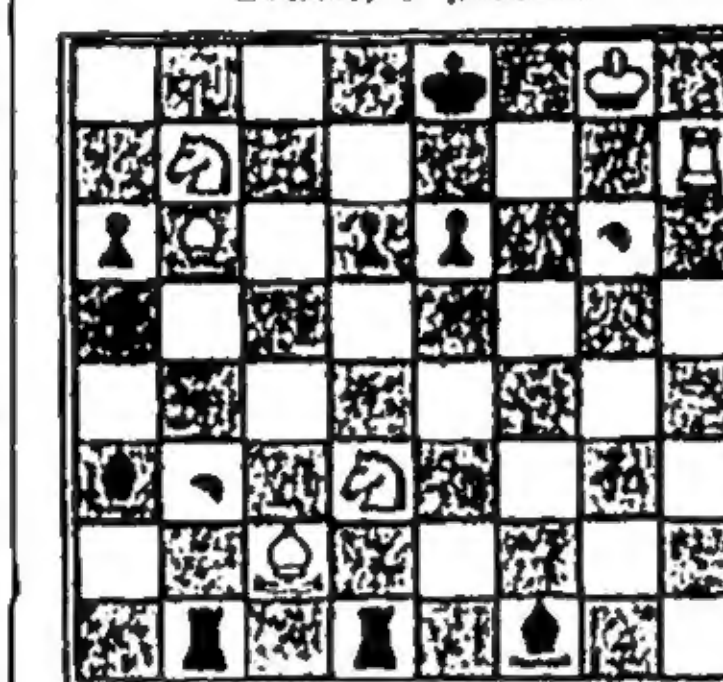
Down
1. Pioneers. (8)
2. Enervate and change. (9)
3. Not yet ripe. (8)
4. Wembley only is notable. (8)
5. If you do this, we'll have you in stitches. (9)
6. Lead around. (4)
7. See wolf in the Alps. (9)
8. You can do this in prayer—or work. (8)
9. Gift of it is considered an asset. (8)
10. Gentleman in short. (6)
11. War returns. (3)
12. An anagram. (3)
13. Answer out of Eire. (3)

HAVERBACK
EVENHOURS
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GALLERAGE
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OESTROCK
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GLASSASPS

SOLUTION
TO CHECK
YESTERDAY'S
PUZZLE

CHESS PROBLEM

By J. GARCIA
Black, 8 pieces.



White, 6 pieces.
White to play; mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. R-K8; threat 2. B-R8 (ch).
1... P-B6; 2. QxP (B6); 1...
B-B7; 2. Q-B3 (ch); 1...
RxK; 2. BxR.

WOMANSENSE

Hat To Suit Hair Style



This charming flower hat with the name "Rose-Marie" was seen during a display of new hats by Madge Chard, designed for the modern hair style, which was held at the Park Lane Hotel in London—Express Photo.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Store lemons in a tightly-sealed glass jar in the refrigerator to keep them from drying.

A little oatmeal adds flavour and richness when used as a soup thickener.

Soil is a garment's worst enemy. All knits, but especially

woolens, should be washed before they get heavily soiled. When dirt and perspiration become embedded in the yarn, they are difficult to remove. Left in, they are destructive.

Sprinkle a tablespoon of baking soda into the suds when washing painted woodwork.

Better Flavour For Boiled Beef

By Ida Bailey Allen

"BOILED beef usually tastes so dull. How should it be cooked?" asked a guest whose hobby is cooking.

"I agree it often lacks flavour," said the Chef. "But I have worked out a way of preparing boiled beef that makes any cut taste good, even soup meat."

"Success depends on three things: plenty of seasoning including spices; very slow cooking, with the liquid barely bubbling at the edge. And, thirdly, here's the pay-off: when the meat is finally cooked, it should be drained, and then browned in the oven."

"We have some meat on hand. Come into the kitchen and I will show you."

Browned Boiled Beef: Put 4 lb. rolled pot roast of beef in a 4-qt. saucepan. Add 1 sliced peeled onion, ¼ c. cut-up celery leaves, 1 tsp. pickling spice, 2 bay leaves, 1 pod dry red pepper, 2 tsp. salt, 1 tsp. monosodium glutamate and ¼ tsp. pepper. If possible, add a cracked marrow bone.

Good Soup Stock: Cover with boiling water, about 3 qt. Bring slowly to boiling point. Cover and simmer 3-3½ hr., or until the meat is fork-tender. Drain off and reserve the broth. Place the meat in a roasting pan. Brush with fat and brown 30 min. in a hot oven, 400° F. Serve with gravy made from the broth, or with horse-radish sauce.

To make soup stock, cool the beef broth and chill. Remove the fat from sautéing vegetables or meats. Use the broth in making vegetable or French onion soup, minestrone or tomato bouillon.

Dinner

Grapefruit Sections
Browned Boiled Beef
Potted Potatoes and Carrots
Tossed Lettuce and Radishes
Rhubarb Compote
Gingerbread

Coffee
All Measurements Are Level
All Recipes Serve 4 to 6

Old-Fashioned Beef Hash: Chop oddments of cooked beef fine; do not put through the chopper. Add half as much chopped cold cooked potato and 1 tbsp. scraped onion to each 2 c. of hash mixture. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

Moisten with meat broth or milk, using ¼ c. to each 2 c. of hash.

In a heavy frying pan, melt enough meat fat or shortening barely to cover the bottom. Turn in the hash. Pat down with a spoon, and slow-fry about 20 min., or until well browned. Fold like an omelette for serving.

Trick Of The Chef

In making rhubarb compote, add some grated orange rind, or a few raisins or diced figs to make it richer.

New Era In Shoe Design

Boston.

ITS taken a man to come up with an invention which will keep on those mere wisps of shoes women are wearing this summer.

Maxwell Sachs, a Harvard-educated, non-practising attorney, is out with something called Spring-o-lator, which he says will inaugurate "a new era of style in motion."

A combination of kid leather with a small section of elastic goring, it forms a springy bridge over the bend in the sole of high-heeled shoes. As a result, says Sachs, heels don't twist, uppers keep their new shape, and shoes stay with the foot in walking, adding balance and poise.

Spring-o-lators are applicable to all types of footwear. They prevent "walking out of" pumps. They keep sandal straps from drooping. And, says Sachs, they are indispensable to the newest style item in footwear, the "stay-on" mule. "With this as a beginning," says Sachs, "a whole new era in women's shoe design is in the making. The function of keeping the shoe on the foot is now relegated to a position under the foot. The undivided attention of the designer can now be concentrated entirely on beauty with the single purpose of flattering the foot."—United Press.



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Rupert and The Lost Cuckoo—36



After tea Rupert found the bird who first set him on the trail. "I say, will you be a sport and go and tell Mrs. Potts that my cuckoo is not lost?" he asked. "It came straight home!" "What a lot of fuss about nothing," quipped the bird. "All right," said Rupert, "the village is safe. The cuckoo is home."

A new story

Rupert and the Space Ship

GIVE THE TEST CAPTAIN A FAIR DEAL— LET HIM JUST PLAY

Says DENIS COMPTON

It is not my place to enter the current controversy about the best man for the captaincy of the MCC team in Australia next winter.

That is a matter for the four Selection Committee, consisting of Messrs Harry Alham, R. W. V. Robins, N. W. D. Yardley, L. E. G. Ames, G. O. Allen, and C. H. Palmer, must carry the full confidence of everybody.

Whoever is appointed, whether he be Len Hutton or not, for his sake I hope he will be relieved of nearly all responsibilities except those of leading the side on the field.

My view is that the qualifications of a Test captain should be based on his cricket ability to win a place on the Test team.

Deep knowledge of the game, the ability to bring out the best in his players.

Indisputably, an aptitude for quick decisions, a sound and unflinching character, a cool head, a calmness of mind, a sense of responsibility, a sense of duty, a sense of honour, a sense of team spirit.

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Twice recently motor cycling has been the subject of comment in this column but I must confess that I was not quite prepared for the reaction to my observation that motor cycling was numbered among the most popular sports in the Army.

I have received a couple of letters concerning motor cycling, but in very different vein from what I might have expected. The writers—I have a feeling that they are not unknown to each other—have asked me to make a plea to local newspapers to publish the main results of British Speedway.

Among other things one of the writers says—and I know what he says to be true—that out here in the services there are many keen speedway fans. Supporters of Wembley, Harringay, Wimbledon, West Ham, Belle Vue, and a host of others. He tells me also that they have to depend for news on letters from home and on speedway magazines that are sent to them by the Army.

The other correspondent suggests that in the summer months when soccer, hockey, and rugby news is scarce the newspapers would be doing a real service to many speedway fans if they would publish the results, and the writer offers the opinion that the new agencies must surely cover one of Britain's top summer sports.

Well, on behalf of both of you, and for all the other speedway enthusiasts, I have passed the request to the Sports Editor of this paper. I do not know if the agencies cover speedway, but it may be possible to satisfy your demands. I'll give you the news, good or not good, as soon as it is available.

STRENUOUS SEASON
At long last the soccer season is virtually finished. It has been a long drawn out season and for many of the Army players a most strenuous one.

This week-end the team goes to Macao for two games. On Saturday they meet the Army in Macao and on Sunday they go into action against the All-Macao side that defeated All-Hongkong not so long ago.

This get-together of the team and officials marks the close of the season but it is in fact more than that. It is also really the end of this 1953-54 Army season when he threw a distance of 187' 2 1/2".

His throw on Sunday was 191' 4" but there is a little doubt if this will get official recognition as Lt. Hughes had the assistance of a stiff wind.

The meeting was a good one but a minor disappointment was the comparatively poor showing of Craftsman Grant who, after some grand showings earlier in the season, could do no better than get 4th place in the Three Miles event.

ORIGINAL VERSE
I have received a most unusual communication from a soldier who signs himself 'Blitz Game Hunter' and I offer it here without comment. . . . Tommy Atkins—Glory be! What strange pictures do I see! Try a guess!

It isn't nice To race white mice In the mess . . . Sunday Sport? Maybe true. . . But I know it wouldn't do. . . For first Queen Bees! 'White Mouse Jockey of the year' That's the next thing we shall hear . . .

Now when I hear the lads proffess There's rodents in the Services I understand they really mean it. For why me own two eyes I've seen it. . . . Well at least it's original—and clever too.

They were honoured by being invited to play the opening match in the rebuilt South China Stadium. They played the first ever League match to take place under floodlights in the Colony.

Fifteen players—Granger, Casey, Buckley, Wells, Riley, Longland, Frazer, McLean, Stevens, Nash, Lunn, Reeves, Bennett, Chase and Thomas—were all selected for representative honours. . . . and of course Granger was publicly voted the Colony's first ever Footballer of the Year.

Frazer too must get a mention here for he has been honoured with the captaincy of the Colony team on many occasions.

Before the start of next season almost everyone of the present first eleven will have left the Colony. Gone too will be S/Sgt. Inst. Decker, the coach, and Mr. Neville, the trainer, who have done such a grand job with the players.

In the Services one gets used to teams being built up and broken up. New players will

COUNTY CRICKET Middlesex Register Their Sixth Straight Win

London, June 1.
Middlesex beat Gloucestershire today to register their sixth straight win since the start of the English County Cricket Championship this season. In winning by seven wickets at Lord's, Middlesex gained due reward for all round supremacy. Their slow bowlers enjoyed chief success, Fred Titmus earning a match record of 10 wickets for 108 and Jack Young taking seven for 50.

Middlesex, fifth side to defeat Gloucestershire this season, now have 72 points to lead by eight points from Warwickshire, who have played a match more than the Southern county.

Warwickshire, pacing the Midlands challenge, received a setback at Coventry when beaten in two days by Yorkshire, the hope of the North on current form.

Yorkshire have 60 points from six games. Their dramatic 10 wicket win was a personal triumph for six-foot pace bowler Bob Appleyard, who claimed six Warwickshire second innings wickets for 32 in 20 attacking overs.

At Northampton: Northamptonshire 212 (Jekeman 50, Dooland, right-arm legbreak, six for 58) and 30 for one, Nottinghamshire 243 for five declared (Poole 63, Hardstaff 70).

At Coventry: Yorkshire beat Warwickshire by ten wickets. Warwickshire 142 and 83 (Appleyard, right-arm fast medium, six for 22). Yorkshire 225 (Wilson 67, Close 57, Keith Doherty, right-arm fast medium, five for 63) and four for no wicket—Reuter.

COCKELL BEATS MATTHEWS

London, June 1.
Don Cockell, Britain's ponderous Heavyweight Champion, used his 30 pounds edge in weight to good advantage tonight to take a 10-round decision from Harry Matthews of Seattle before 43,000 fans at the White City Stadium.

Cockell, who floored Matthews three times in beating the American in Seattle last year, was unable to put his opponent down this time and had him in trouble only once—in the eighth—when he chased the lighter man around the ring, hammering him with both hands.

Matthews hung on until he could break away safely with the bulging Briton unaccountably failing to follow up the opportunity.

The crowd, which shivered in chilly, threatening weather, was too cold to greet the decision with more than ordinary enthusiasm even though promoter Jack Solomons immediately announced he was leaving for New York to attend the Ezzard Charles-Rocky Marciano fight and attempt signing the winner for a title fight with Cockell here next September.

The United Press score card gave Cockell four rounds, Matthews three with three even. Celebrities, including stage and screen stars and members of the Peerage, were among the near capacity crowd.

Cockell entered the ring an 11-10 favourite. Most of the crowd frankly hoped he would win by a knockout and even more firmly establish his claim to a Marciano bout.

No Briton has fought for the world heavyweight title since Tommy Farr lost to Joe Louis in 1937.

Matthews, former blacksmith, weighed 210½ against the 180½ for Matthews and used his weight in the clinches at every chance. There were few thrills for the frozen fans.

Even in the early rounds when Matthews' fast, accurate punching puffed the left eye and bloodied the nose of the 25-year-old Briton, there seemed to be no doubt that he would be able to wear Matthews down.

Matthews' best punch was a tremendous overhand right that caught Cockell on the side of the head and made him blink. But the fat and fortyish (around the waist line) Briton came boring in looking for trouble.

Matthews drew a gasp in the third round when he landed a right low—this is technically a foul here—but Cockell returned four low blows in later rounds. Cockell, moving relentlessly forward on legs like tree stumps, took a number of punches that he might have avoided, but he didn't seem to suffer any effects even from Matthews' best punches.

Cockell's seconds had to work hard on his left eye between the rounds. Matthews had a bloody nose from the seventh.

In the eighth, Cockell lashed out with a stiff left jab bouncing Matthews back a couple of steps. Matthews, by sheer weight, was falling his ponderous arms and rapidly weakening Matthews who finally jumped so ludicrously out of danger that the crowd laughed.

As is now traditional here the fighters were escorted through the darkened overhead to the ring picked out by spotlights. American and British flags preceded them and recorded fanfare blared over the loudspeakers.

TOOK IT CALMLY
In the dressing room Matthews took the decision calmly. "I thought I might have got it, but when you're in the ring you can't really judge who's ahead," he said. "I was trying to open up Don's eye but he's a smart fighter and he certainly managed to keep out of trouble."

He added: "I think Don might beat Marciano on the night's form. Marciano is stronger, maybe. But Don is much the harder boxer. Whatever you do, you'd be wise to beat Cockell before he beats you."

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Commonwealth International Golf Series

St Andrews, Scotland, June 1.

New Zealand beat South Africa by seven games to two and Australia defeated Canada by five games to four on the first day of the Commonwealth International Golf series today.

Britain, the other team competing, were not engaged today.

The five-day tournament, which has brought together the Empire's leading amateurs, the Royal and Ancient Club, marks the 200th anniversary of the Royal and Ancient Club, which has long been the governing authority in the game.

The tournament consists of a series of "test matches" fought out over 18 holes of singles and fourfours on the famous course. Each team will in turn "sit out" one day.

New Zealand beat South Africa by five games to one in the singles. D. Woon, the New Zealand Champion, beat Reg Taylor, the South African Open Champion, by six and five.

Canada, after winning the fourfours by two games to one fell away in the singles in their match against Australia which Australia won by four games to two—China Mail Special.

VRC REGATTA AND BARBECUE
The Victoria Recreation Club is holding its opening Regatta and Barbecue dance at Deep Water Bay on June 5.

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A SOLUTION

My solution to the problem would be for the MCC to have a team to make close to the Board of Control of the country being visited that apart from one or two incapable executives, they fell all specialising for their team should be done by the manager.

They could put out that they only as a captain to take on the burden on the captain. I leave him free to apply himself to his job on the field.

Not that the manager's duty in Australia or South Africa should be at speech-making. His special task should be to take on himself every contingency not directly connected with the tactics on the field of play, in order to lessen the strain on the skipper.

Everything should be done to spare the captain, such as in the field, the manager should be a very real and recent knowledge of the first-class game.

Names which suggest themselves are those of the Assistant Secretary of MCC, S.C. Griffith, R.W. Robins, and C. H. Palmer, formerly manager in the West Indies.

Just think, for example, of the qualifications of S.C. Griffith. In the last few years he has been captain of Sussex, England cricketer, County Secretary, sports journalist, and now assistant secretary of the MCC.

He would be no longer a managerial dandy. He helped the captain, G. O. Allen, do them in the West Indies in 1947-48 and everyone on the tour.

LOCAL GOLF
The following are results of competitions played at Deep Water Bay since the opening of the Summer Season.

Medal—Tuesday, 27th April—Winner: Mrs L. H. Robinson 68-8—net 60. Runner-up: Mrs R. Tippin, 81—20—net 61.

Stableford—Thursday, 6th May—Winner: Mrs M. Hung 37 points. Runner-up: Mrs M. Vaughan 37 points. Mrs Hung won with the best second nine holes.

Shanghai Foursomes—Tuesday, 18th May—Winners: Mrs P. Laroche & Mrs R. Willquet 84-23—net 61.

The next competition will be a Par Blaque on Thursday, 3rd June and this will be followed by a Fling competition on Tuesday, 15th June.

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Craigengower Badminton Tournament

By "ARGONAUT"

Though defeated, underdogs maintained the high standard they showed in the first night's games as the Craigengower Cricket Club Open Badminton Championships went through their second night's programme yesterday.

Queen's College schoolboy Wong Shiu kwong, who had earlier eliminated former Colony Doubles Champion S. A. Vang, came very close to scoring another upset yesterday, in his match against last year's Colony Junior Singles Champion, Jimmy Ku, only to fall in the last stretch.

After being held to 7-7 in the first set, Wong romped home to a comfortable 15-7 win. Wong led 8-3 and 10-6 in the second set, but could make little headway after that as Ku resorted to a safe game of pushing the shuttle continuously back to the base. Wong's lack of forceful strokes put him at sea against these tactics.

Continuing the same tactics Ku wore out his opponent in the third set to win by 15-8. Some fine rallies were seen during this match, and Wong, who had earlier in the evening taken part in an exhibition match at the Chinese YMCA, should be heartily congratulated for the fine performance given.

In another Men's Open Singles match, B. N. Hegde, who played in the "C" Division in the recently concluded League, put up a surprisingly creditable performance against one of University's top shuttlers, M. T. Yeow.

ZATOPEK BREAKS 10 KM. RECORD

Brussels, June 1. Emil Zatopek, Czech holder of nine world records, tonight bettered his own world figures for 10,000 Metres (six miles 376 yards) when he clocked 28 minutes 51.2 seconds here.

His previous best was 29 minutes 1.6 seconds, made last November. It was the second world record made in three days by the 31-year-old Olympic Champion. In Paris on Sunday, he broke the 11-year-old 5,000 Metres record.

Zatopek was to have run in a 5,000 Metres race here, but at the Czechs' request the organizers put on a special 10,000 Metres event.

A wildly excited crowd of about 2,000 cheered on the Czech at every stride as he streaked along on his record-breaking run.

Zatopek broke into the lead right from the start and had to set his own pace throughout.

After four laps (4,000 metres) he was 40 metres ahead of his nearest rival, Belgium's De Pauw. Later, he widened the gap by a further 50 metres.

Grimacing, hoarse, his tongue lolling out and his arms flailing his chest in characteristic style, the Czech Army Major pined on the pressure with every lap.

Zatopek completed eight laps, one-third of the way, in six minutes 51.2 seconds and was then half a lap in front of Belgium's Marcel Van de Walle, being second.

Zatopek appeared to run faster than ever as he began the last 5,000 metres.

INCREDIBLE

Lap by lap the Czech drove himself on in an incredible manner. His features became more distorted and he literally seemed to punch himself on words.

By the time he entered the last two laps, he had lapped the field. The crowd was on its feet cheering almost hysterically as the Czech with a final burst of speed broke the tape to better his old record by 7.4 seconds.

Zatopek said afterwards: "I am even more surprised to have broken my world record here than I was in Paris on Sunday."

"After I had run the first lap I thought I would never make it. It seemed to me a very difficult race."

Zatopek ran on a heavy track. The weather threatened rain, but there was no wind.

INTERMEDIATE TIMES

His intermediate times were one kilometre: two minutes 47.6 seconds; two kilometres: five minutes 55 seconds; three kilometres: eight minutes 38.2 seconds; four kilometres: 11 minutes 34 seconds; five kilometres: 14 minutes 27.4 seconds; six kilometres: 17 minutes 23 seconds; seven kilometres: 20 minutes 16.4 seconds; eight kilometres: 23 minutes 11.6 seconds; nine kilometres: 26 minutes four seconds.

Second behind Zatopek in tonight's run, made at the Royal Racing Club Stadium, was Van de Walle.

Another Belgian, De Troyer, was third.

No times were announced for their runs.—Reuters.

Roger Bannister Invited To N.Z.

Wellington, June 1. Roger Bannister, Britain's four-minute miler, is to be invited to tour New Zealand after competing in the Empire Games at Vancouver next month.

The New Zealand Amateur Athletic Association decided tonight to invite Bannister, the Australian crack miler John Landy, and other Empire Games athletes.

A selected group of Americans will be invited if these athletes are unobtainable.—Reuters.

Five Squads For Summer Softball

Five teams have entered for the Summer Softball League it was learned yesterday from the Hongkong Softball Association.

The teams that have entered are the Warriors, Cavalier, Pandas, Jr., U.S. Navy and Chinese Athletic Association.



AUSTRALIAN BOWLERS FETED

Three visiting Australian lawn bowlers and their wives were the guests of honour at a dinner given by Dr V. N. Atienza at the Craignower Cricket Club last night.

The Australian bowlers were Messrs T. K. Shakespeare, Senior Vice-President of the New South Wales Bowling Association, R. S. Stone and R. R. Law.

Among those present yesterday were the officials of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association, headed by Mr M. N. Ralston, and committee members of the Craignower Cricket Club and the Filipino Club.

At the conclusion of the dinner, Mr Shakespeare presented pennants to the officials of the HKLBA and badges to the committee members of the CCC and the Filipino Club.

The visitors in return received souvenirs in the form of badges from the Association and the Filipino Club and spoons from the Craignower Cricket Club.

The visitors, who visited Hongkong last month on their way to Japan, expect to leave for home tomorrow and in view of their early departure it will not be possible to arrange any official match between them and a Hongkong rink as originally intended.

Asked producer Carreras why he referred me to Ben Lyon, I asked producer Carreras why he referred me to Ben Lyon.

LITTLE COMEDY BECOMES A BIG HIT

Unusual Tribute For 'Life With The Lyons'

By MOORE RAYMOND

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ROUND THE BRITISH FILM STUDIOS

Orphan Wisdom In Love Again

By ROY NASH

Joan Rice will be the girl of whom Norman Wisdom hopes to make a conquest in his new Pinewood comedy. The tentative title is "One Good Turn."

Background for the picture is an orphanage. Elfin-faced Miss Rice knows all about that. She was brought up in a Nottingham orphanage where the nuns gave her acting lessons for end-of-term plays.

"I was the naughty girl who got the cane every day," she tells me. "Always doing something wrong—running about without shoes and getting my feet wet or going on errands and forgetting what I had been sent for."

In the picture Miss Rice will be a schoolteacher whom Wisdom, once more the pathetic, ill-tallorered Gump, worships from afar.

For all his awkwardness the Gump got the girl—Lana Morris—at the end of Wisdom's last picture, "Trouble In Store."

Will he do so again? Miss Rice doesn't know—"I haven't seen a finished script yet"—and producer Maurice Cowan isn't quite sure. "But at the moment we don't think he will," he says.

For Wisdom, Cowan and director John Paddy Carstairs, the team responsible for the record-breaking "Trouble In Store," the new picture is a test. Can they repeat that fabulous success?

"We're trying to improve on it," says Cowan. "Norman's part as an ex-orphan who stays on at the orphanage to do all the odd jobs will give him plenty of opportunities for the comedy stuff he does so well and rather more paths than he had in the last picture."

That pleases Wisdom. It is the wistful, little-man-lost side of the Gump that appeals to him most.

Two other things he likes are to sing and to box. So he will have three songs, one of them "Selze Opportunity" written by himself, and there will be a fairground sequence in which he will challenge a booth fighter for £10.

Wisdom used to be regimental flyweight champion of the 10th Hussars. One of his recent opponents was Freddie Mills, whom he met at a boxing show for hospital patients.

My suggestion: that Wisdom and manager Cowan should challenge Mills to a return bout for the picture.

FIRST IN TWO YEARS

"I've been trying to place you ever since we started rehearsing," said David Farrar to Anna Neagle on the set of "We'll Gather Lilacs" at Elstree.

This is Miss Neagle's first film after two years on the stage, but Farrar hadn't really forgotten her.

The line was part of the script for this adaptation of her "Glorious Days" stage show.

Farrar was supposed to be a producer putting Miss Neagle through her paces on the stage of Drury Lane Theatre for a wartime Ensign show.

Behind the camera the film's actual producer Miss Neagle's husband Herbert Wilcox gazed at his wife admiringly and said to me: "Doesn't she look terrific?"

I agreed. Blue eyes sparkling, fair hair gleaming, in a white blouse and a grey zig-zag patterned skirt with a wide black belt hugging her slim waist, Miss Neagle looked about 25.

Wilcox was shooting the scene in black and white. At the end of it Miss Neagle was to be knocked out by a bomb which would start her dreaming in Technicolour that she was Nell Gwynne with Farrar as her King Charles.

Errol Flynn who (as you may have heard) also has a part in this picture, was not on call, but Mr Wilcox had thought up a bright phrase to describe the somewhat surprising Flynn-Neagle partnership.

"It's a combination of sherry and vodka," he said. Flynn, of course, was the vodka.

For Wilcox and Miss Neagle this is their 27th picture together (he had to check the number with his wife to make sure it was right).

What is the secret of their success? Wilcox had a phrase for that too. "Scots realism—that's Anna—combined with Irish fantasy—that's me."

AMONG MERMAIDS

"I'm the one with the legs," explained Anne Crawford whom I spotted behind a Pinewood lobster pot.

I could understand the distinction. Miss Crawford has fallen among mermaids in "Mad About Men."

Mermaid Dora Bryan steals her clothes when she goes for a swim.

Mermaid Glynis Johns tries to steal her boy friend Nicholas Phipps.

Mermaid Bryan's prank involved Miss Crawford in two very damp days. "I was supposed to be still wet from the sea. Water evaporated much too quickly under the lights so they brought up a paint spray and covered me with glycerine. Most revolting and very anti-social."

As for mermaid Johns, who tries to fool everybody into thinking she is human, Miss Crawford does her best to expose her and win back boy friend Phipps.

"It's Legs versus Tail—the battle of the century."

Fellow victims of the Pinewood film-girls: Donald Sinden, soon to switch to sterner stuff in the Rank Mau Mau film "Simba," and Margaret Ruth-erford.

SO THEY TELL ME:

Eva Bartok may soon be off in a rocket. She's considering a part in a space-ship thriller.

Sir Alexander Korda is planning a film of Jules Verne's "Round The World In Eighty Days"—to last eighty minutes.

Headaches
Toothaches
Colds
are quickly overcome by
CASASPIN

"I Alone Choose The Teams To Play For Hungary"

Says GUSTAV SEBES*

The Hungary team is a matter of national pride and importance. The problem of its selection is one which occupies all 12 months of the year. It is always in our thoughts.

The responsibility of selecting the team is mine, but I invite every possible help to make certain that no man who is fit to play for Hungary is neglected.

Before the season begins I call up all the trainers who are responsible for the technique of their teams—in England you would call them the bosses. They are responsible for the success or failure of their teams.

ALL ON FILE

We talk over the new season and discuss that which has passed. Every week they send me reports of players who they think are fit to play for Hungary. Three I file and con-

*Gustav Sebes is the Hungarian Deputy-Minister of Sport, director of the National Sports Committee, sole selector of the Hungary team, player from 1918 to 1946, including Internationals, Hungarian team trainer from 1945 to 1949, controller of the Hungarian team since 1949.

SVC. BOWLERS WANTED TODAY

Former members of the SVC who have not submitted their names but who wish to play in the lawn bowls match against the HKVBC are reminded that their names must be sent in before 5 o'clock today; at least four more players are required.

The conveners are Mr A. M. Buchanan (56001-07557) and Mr P. A. Costa (57000 or 58546) and the game takes place at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club on Monday next commencing at 4 p.m.

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—(London Express Service)

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—United Press.

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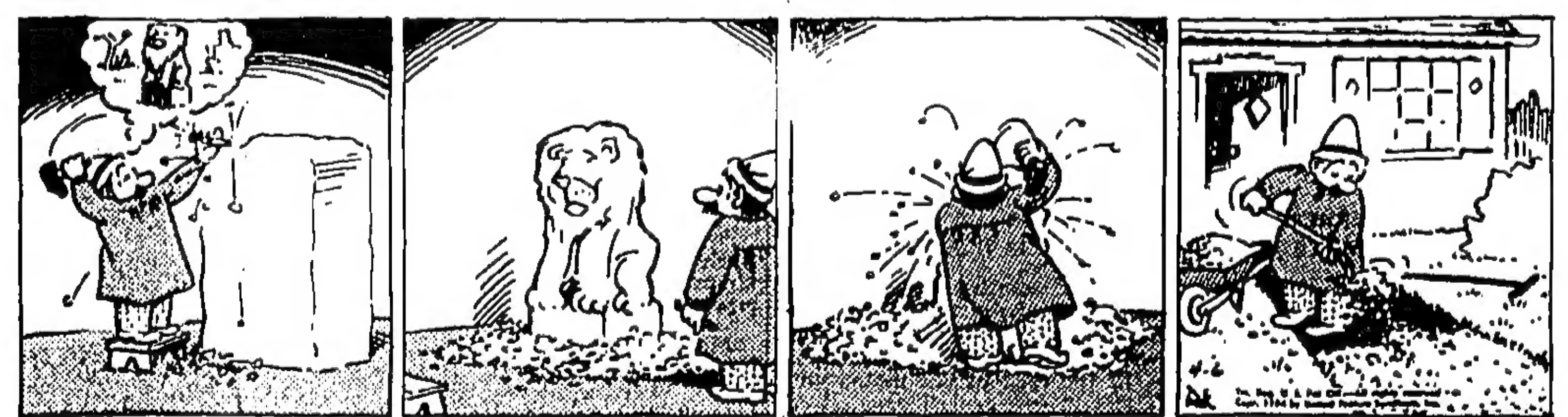
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Turkey And Pakistan Help Western Defence

Ankara, June 1.
 The future of the two-month old agreement for friendly co-operation between Turkey and Pakistan will be the main subject of talks to be held here during the coming visit of Mr Mohammed Ali, Pakistan Prime Minister, and his Foreign Minister, Sir Zafrullah Khan.

According to present arrangements, the two Ministers will arrive in Istanbul on June 9, and will travel to the Turkish capital the following day. They are expected to stay three days in Ankara, followed by two days in Istanbul. The visit is awaited with keen interest, since it will be the first contact between members of the two Governments since the Turco-Pakistani pact was signed in Karachi on April 2. Political observers have commented on the pact's points of similarity with the Balkan Pact, the treaty of friendship and collaboration between Turkey, Greece, and Yugoslavia, signed in Ankara in February, 1953.

COMMON DEFENCE
 Both pacts provide for collaboration in the political, economic and cultural fields, and for consultations on common defence measures to be taken in the case of an aggression against the contracting parties. The provisions for defence consultations in the Turco-Pakistani Pact are, however, couched in slightly less comprehensive terms.

The Balkan Pact provides for "the common examination of security problems, including common defence measures while, might prove necessary in case of unprovoked aggression." The Turco-Pakistani Pact speaks of "study and determination of the ways and extent of co-operation which might be effected between the parties in accordance with Article 51 of

the United Nations Charter, should an unprovoked attack occur against them from outside."

The Pact with Pakistan has been interpreted here as preparing the way for the consolidation of the extreme eastern flank of the free world's defences. Pakistan's acceptance of American arms aid was seen as a further step in this direction.

PROUD OF HER ROLE
 Turkey is proud of her role in the West's defences. She now provides a vital link,

through the Balkan Pact and the Pakistani agreement with strategically important areas outside the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation Alliance. The Turkish Government believes this role is far from exhausted.

Since the Turco-Pakistani Pact was signed, Marshal Tito, President of Yugoslavia, has visited Ankara, while Turkey and Yugoslavia have stated their intention of converting the Balkan Pact into a full-scale military alliance.—China Mail Special.

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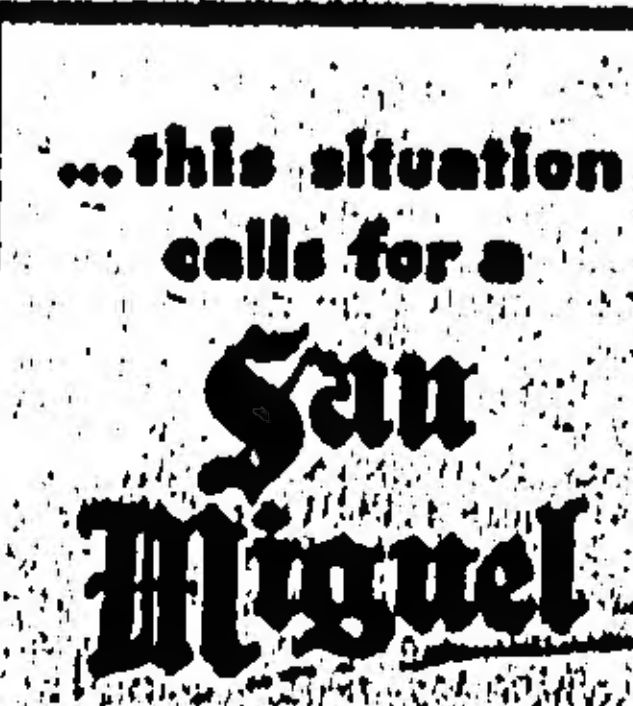
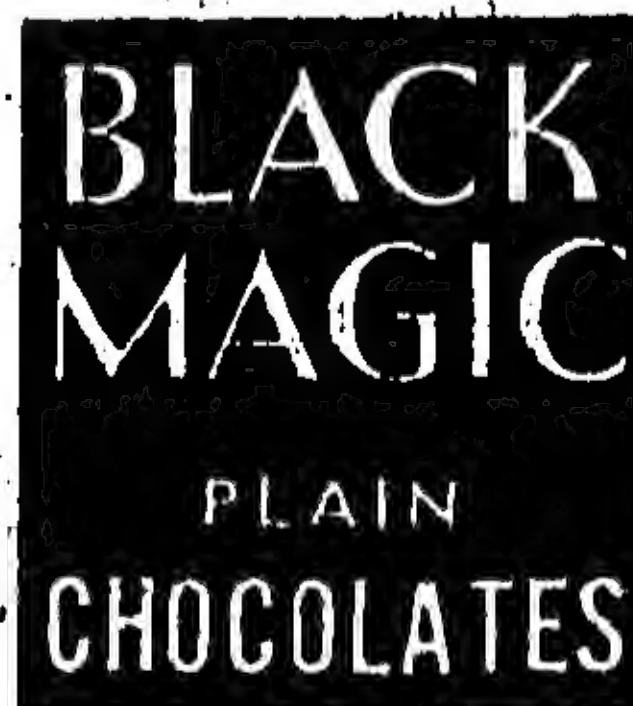
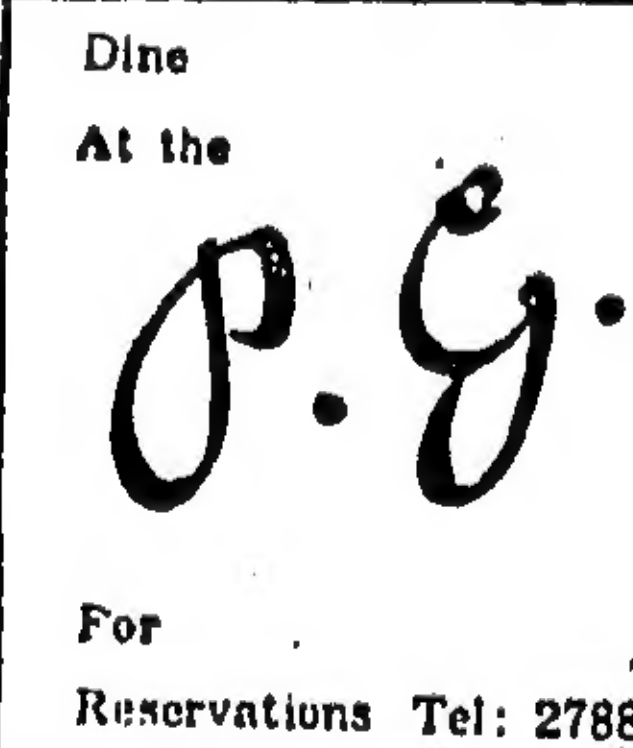
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Are Girls More Adventurous?

London, June 1.
 Are British boys less adventurous than the girls?
 The Anglo-Austrian Society think that is why few boys have applied for the cheap exchange holidays they are offering in Austria.
 Said Mr Walter Foster, assistant secretary: "We have had nearly 400 applications from Austrian children and more from boys than girls."
 "But in England we have had applications from 80 girls and only 40 boys."
 Idea of the scheme is that an Austrian child stays with a family in Britain for about a month. Then a British boy or girl goes to Austria for a month.
 The cost this year will be about £18 10s. for each child.
 "We particularly want applications from British girls under 15 and from boys of all ages," said Mr Foster. "Last year nearly 900 children from both countries took part in the scheme."

Another Council Suspends Civil Defence

Cardiff, Wales, June 2.
 One of the largest local authorities in South Wales, the Gwent Urban Council, voted unanimously last night to suspend civil defence activities in the area until more adequate protection was available against atom and hydrogen bombs.
 A leading councillor, Mr Brinley Roberts, declared at the meeting that "defence measures being adopted were 'inadequate' in view of the devastating power of these weapons."





Little Headway Made In Getting Peace For Palestine

(By William N. Otis, Associated Press Writer)
Palestine is the only acute peace problem left to the United Nations, and on that the U.N. now finds it can only look listen and talk.

Its 11-nation Security Council has spent seven months debating Palestine's Arab-Jewish conflicts, and is still at it, while diplomats have gone to Berlin and Geneva to deal with Korea and Indo-China.

Seven countries have filed 10 complaints on border trouble and shipping restrictions involving all the Palestine neighbours—Israel, Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, Egypt.

The council has voted on three resolutions aimed at stopping it, but it has passed only one. Something new has come up to kill the other two—a Soviet veto on behalf of the Arab.

This is a new complication added to the historical problem in ancient times, most of Palestine's inhabitants were Jews; in modern times until recently, they were Arabs. Jews began going back in 1878.

The British, governing Palestine under a League of Nations mandate, once proposed a Jewish national home and again an Arab-dominated state.

On May 14, 1948, the British got out; the Jews established Israel and Arab armies attacked. The Jewish minority fought back, and most of the Arab majority fled. The Security Council got an unstable ceasefire in a month, and N. mediation brought about an armistice the next year.

Israel signed armistice agreements with Egypt, Lebanon, Jordan and Syria, the last on July 20, 1949. Each set up a commission—two Arabs, two Jews and a U.N. chairman—to keep the armistice, with N. observers helping. All drew-up armistice lines.

These split old Palestine mainly between Israel and Jordan, separating Arab villages from their farmland in Israel, cutting through desert populated only by Arab nomads. They outlined five demilitarized zones—including land and water Israel wanted to support its growing population.

Complaints

Trouble followed. Arab would cross the line to harvest, visit, smuggle or plunder. Israel would start digging in a militarized zone. Shooting would break out, and armistice commissions would get complaints.

The Security Council has seen too many of these complaints. After approving an armistice on August 11, 1949, it watched and did nothing for a year. Then, between July of September 1950, Lebanon, Egypt, Jordan and Israel brought complaints. They said:

(1) Israeli forces killed the civilians and wounded two in Rafah, Egypt, June 30; killed 10 Arab nomads and drove 4,000 into Egypt from the El-Ah demilitarized zone August 1, September 2.

(2) An Israeli military plane shot up a Lebanese passenger plane near Sidon, Lebanon, July 24, killing two, wounding 11.

(3) Israeli troops seized a Jordanian river boat, a territory disputed between Israel and Jordan. August 28.

(4) Egypt and Jordan were accused of threatening to attack Israel.

action and otherwise ignoring the armistice.

On Nov. 17, 1950, the council called on Egypt, Jordan and Israel to abide by their armistice agreements.

The month before, Israel had started despoiling and trampling the Jordan River in the El Hamma demilitarized zone to drain marshes above Lake Huleh. She ignored an on-the-spot U.N. order to stop pending Syrian armistice.

Shooting started over this in March, 1951. Syria said Israeli soldiers killed Arabs and drove them from the zone. Israel said it was killing seven Israeli policemen. Air-ground skirmishes followed.

On May 8, the Security Council told both sides to stop fighting. Ten days later it told Israel to halt the work and allow Arabs to return to the zone. Israel obeyed and later was allowed to resume work.

On September 1, the council, at Israel's urging, called on Egypt to stop searches of ships and seizures of cargo bound for Israel through the Suez Canal—a wartime measure still in force.

Blood sometimes flowed without prompting Security Council action. Five men were killed in skirmishing in Israel's Tel El Muttilla range near Syria May 2-6, 1951; 20 in Israeli-Jordanian ceasefire in Jerusalem April 22, 1953. Twenty Arabs were killed in a raid on a refugee camp at Bureil, Egypt, last August 23.

But two years passed without a council resolution on Palestine. Then, last October 12, a hand grenade thrown into a house killed an Israeli woman and two children in El Yehudiya, Israel. Two nights later, raiders demolished Kibya, Jordan, and killed 53 villagers.

On November 24, the council censured Israel for this raid. That is the last Palestine resolution on U.N. books. The Soviet Union since has vetoed two others, both disagreeable to the Arabs as represented on the Security Council by Lebanon.

Meanwhile, invoking a relevant provision of their armistice agreement, Israel has been pressing for a conference with Jordan to review the agreement. Jordan has refused saying this armistice commission is the place for such discussions.

Israel is boycotting this Commission because it refused to blame Jordan for the Suez Canal shooting. The U.N. Chairman said that the evidence was inconclusive.

The result is that the agreement cannot be re-examined outside the Commission, the Commission cannot meet with a full membership and the council's hands are tied.

Meanwhile, new bloodshed and border incidents are reported every week in troubled Palestine.

Deadlock

For Future Experts On The Middle East

A School For Diplomats

Shemlan, Lebanon, June 1. A remote Lebanese mountain village overlooking the Mediterranean is the rural setting for a British school for diplomats—the only one of its kind in the world.

Housed in two unobtrusive buildings in a sharply sloping orchard of almond and mulberry trees, the school is financed and run by the British Foreign Office.

There are no secrets about the name, the students, or the functions of this British establishment in the heart of hospitable Lebanon.

It is the Middle East Centre for Arabic Studies, MECAS, for short—where officials of the Foreign Office follow a year's course in Arabic before taking up consular or diplomatic service in the Middle East.

But the amenities of MECAS are not confined to Foreign Office candidates. They are also available to members of the Foreign Service of Canada, Australia, New Zealand and India, as well as to students from Britain's armed forces and major British oil concerns.

MECAS was established ten years ago in Mandatory Palestine. For three years, it was run as a war-time army establishment.

In 1947, a year before the end of the Mandate, it was transferred from the army to the Foreign Office, and moved to Shemlan village in the Lebanon, by consent of the Lebanese Government.

The school is equipped to train between 18 and 20 men during each one-year course. But before being admitted to MECAS, most students take an eight-week course at the School of Oriental Studies, London University.

200 Graduates

At Shemlan, the course of study begins on January 9 and ends on November 30.

So far, since 1944, the school has graduated nearly 200 students. Many of them are now holding diplomatic posts and other assignments in the Middle East.

The principal course at MECAS has three main features: a study in Middle East history, politics, and languages; a study in Arabic grammar, with emphasis on written Arabic; and a study in Arabic literature, set in London, with a different group of questions for students of the Army, Royal Air Force, Foreign Office, etc.

The Arabic which they are taught enables students to read and understand the language of books and newspapers, to listen and comprehend Arabic broadcasts at dictation speed; and to translate Arabic into English and vice versa.

Life in Shemlan for a MECAS student is quiet—very quiet—and accommodation arrangements are somewhat primitive. Furniture is generally utilitarian and so is food, which is also meagre.

Set at an altitude of 2,200 feet, Shemlan enjoys a panoramic view of the ragged coastline. But it suffers a hard winter. At MECAS, life is grim and Spartan—with rooms unheated, electricity erratic.

Students share a primitive bathroom, and often have to fetch drinking water from a hand pump some way away.

But all this, we fully enjoyed this experience and shall certainly look back on it with kind thoughts," was the consensus of opinion expressed by students at Shemlan.

Can't Speak English

The principal instructor Mr Norman Lewis said that from their second term at Shemlan onwards, students are forbidden to speak English. They are expected to speak Arabic all the time, in and out of class.

The only holiday which students have is a fortnight at Easter, Mr Lewis said. During the six weeks' break in the summer, they go "on leave" to improve their Arabic conversation.

Most of them live with Arab families, go on coastal cruises serving as deck-hands on Arab sailing vessels, or go on a desert trek on camel back with Bedouins.

Others work in Embassies as translators and develop attachments with Lebanese army officers and Jordan's Arab Legionnaires.

The fact that MECAS is run by the Foreign Office has caused some Arabs in the Middle East to refer to the Shemlan establishment as "The British Spy School."

But this allegation is shared by MECAS students and the 500 friendly inhabitants of Shemlan village as a standing joke. —China Mail Special

Settlement On Persian Oil By June?

Teheran, June 1. Now that there is a recess in the Teheran oil talks while some of the members of the British and United States Consortium consult in London and Washington with their principals, it is possible to look retrospectively at the indications so far available to show what success is attending the long drawn out talks.

Although, officially, no detailed agreement has been reached on any single main issue between the West and Persia, goodwill and determination exist and each side says that it looks forward to final agreement by the end of June.

The course of negotiations has shown the West's willingness to recognise Persia's nationalisation rights—with just compensation—and a desire not to jeopardise the position of Premier Zahedi.

Much more than some millions of tons of oil hung on the outcome of the Teheran talks. Persia's ability to ward off Communist penetration—and she has a 1,200-kilometre (750-mile) common frontier with the Soviet Union—depends upon the stability arising out of an assured oil income.

Her collapse economically and then politically would imperil the whole oil reserves of the Middle East—so far the largest and best in the world.

Also, it must be reckoned with that Persia should the talks fail—would turn to other countries who are building their own tanker fleets, and ask them to market her oil. If this happened Britain would get nothing from the Persian oilfields.

British and United States diplomats in Teheran warn against misconstruing the present process as a "breakdown" or a temporary stalemate. Hard bargaining remains to be done but they are "basically cheerful," in the words of one of the British negotiators.

When the Consortium delegates arrived they brought secret proposals in two parts. One part consisted of "basic" and "unilateral" proposals—the hard core of agreement, the other consisted of bargaining points to be amended or thrown into the conference pool as arguments developed.

Although the talks are secret, and will remain so until agreement is finally achieved, after five weeks of negotiating there have been some leaks on the Persian side.

These, when checked and squared with the best Western sources available, present the following picture of the Teheran oil talks at the end of stage one:

1. An oil agreement will be for a period of about 30 years. This is long enough for Western oil companies to recoup on investments which are likely to exceed \$500,000,000 (£200,000,000 sterling).

2. Persia's volume of oil output in a world surfeited with crude oil is likely at first to be considerably less than was prior to nationalisation in 1951. Abadan, the giant British-built refinery in the Persian Gulf, the world's largest, will not resume full-scale production. The oil industry's post-war pattern is for many more but smaller refineries in consumer areas to come up behind industry and strategic bases.

Reports in Teheran say that the Consortium first proposed a 5,000,000 tons output in the first year but later agreed to rule it to 10,000,000 tons with further increases as world demand rose.

Prior to nationalisation the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company in Persia produced 30,000,000 tons. Under the proposed new agreement most oil bought by the Consortium would be crude.

3. The Consortium is willing to pay Persia her share of oil profits in sterling, although Persia is demanding some degree of dollar convertibility. Here the difficulty is that Persia's oil will be chiefly marketed in the soft currency areas of Western Europe, not in the United States where import and tax regulations as well as political and strategic considerations rule out such sales.

Since United States companies will be handling 40 per cent of the oil through the Consortium, the British Treasury will come to a dollar convertibility arrangement about their sterling income from such sales.

This point concerns British businessmen especially, since sterling payments to Persia will sign the currency, which has a vast need for capital goods used in reconstruction projects, with the sterling export market.

Following an oil settlement there will undoubtedly be a move to put British trading with Persia on a firmer footing through a trade pact.

Japan and Germany have however seized markets which lay open after Britain's withdrawal in 1951.

4. Management of the Persian oil industry has proved the toughest hurdle in the talks—much more so than compensation—and is still not settled although agreement is said, officially, to be within sight.

The Western oil companies, with some \$600,000,000 dollars at stake plus commitments of tanker fleets, technical skills and markets, are dead set against bequeathing management to outside and possibly less experienced hands.

With a restive Majlis, the lower House of the Persian Parliament, behind him and for prestige reasons the Prime Minister, General Zahedi, insists on Persian control.

The two sides, have been considering some third force control—a mixed management board of Persians, British and Americans—responsible in some manner both to the Consortium and the Persian Government.

But there are some questions still left open. Will the General Manager be Persian, British, American or some other nationality? How will the National Iranian Oil Company (NIOC) fit into such an arrangement? Who will pay foreign techni-

'Hoarse' Thief

Osaka, Japan, June 1. A young man waylaid a Japanese factory worker and attempted to intimidate him into parting with 200 yen (four shillings sterling).

The young man shouted himself hoarse before he realised his victim was stone deaf.

Exasperated, he took out a pencil and a piece of paper and wrote down his threatening demands—and a policeman attracted by the noise, came along to catch him red-handed. —China Mail Special.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Quiet conditions prevailed throughout the half-day session and prices were unchanged.

Apart from small sporadic dealings in the more popular counters of the Utility group the market was neglected and idle.

Turnover was on a light scale but the undertone was steady. Business amounted to \$355,197. Noon quotations and the morning's dealings:—

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS HANKS
GOVT. LOANS 34½ (1948) 92½ 50000 4 1/2

BANKS
HSBC 1000
East Asia 175

INSURANCES
Union 825
Underwriters 623
Lombard 49½

DOCKS, ETC.
K. Ward 61 61½
S. Ward 1000 101½
Provident (O) 11 20 12
Woolcock 0.05 0.00 500 0.05

LAND, ETC.
HS Hotel 0.4 8.35 1000 8.30
HS Land 0.5 1.14 50
Really 1.00 2

UTILITIES
Tram 23.40 23.00 300 23.50
Electric 22.50 22 1000 21.75
Telephone 22.20 22.00 100 22.50

INDUSTRIALS
Cement 17.30 1000 17½

STORES, ETC.
Dairy 23½ 23.00 50 23.75
100 23.75
1000 23.75

Watson 17 17.40
500 17.20
1000 17.40
300 17.20

COTTONS
Textile Corp. 5.00 1000 6.70

MISCELLANEOUS
Yantai 5.00
Yantai 141

Singapore Rubber Market

Singapore, June 1. The market opened steady on good demand for all grades with sellers reserved. Future closings:

No. 1 rubber per lb. 62½-63½
July 62½-63½
August 62½-63½
No. 2 rubber per lb. 60½-61½
No. 3 rubber per lb. 58½-59½
No. 4 rubber per lb. 56½-57½
Black crepe 58-59
No. 1 pale crepe 72-74

LONDON MARKET

The rubber market was steady with No. 1 Ras spot quoted at 18-13/10 pence per lb. Prices:

Settlement house term: 18½-19½
July 18½-19½
August 18½-19½
September 18½-19½
October 18½-19½
November 18½-19½
December 18½-19½
January 18½-19½
February 18½-19½
March 18½-19½
April 18½-19½
May 18½-19½
June 18½-19½
General markets, oil, bank, ports: 18½-19½
July 18½-19½
August 18½-19½
September 18½-19½
October 18½-19½
November 18½-19½
December 18½-19½
January 18½-19½
February 18½-19½
March 18½-19½
April 18½-19½
May 18½-19½
June 18½-19½
Estate crepe 18½-19½
Thin 21½

United Press.

LONDON METAL PRICES

Tin and copper were steady while lead and zinc were firm. Prices closed today in sterling per long ton as follows:—

Tin spot 222½-223½
3-months 222½-223½
Copper spot 240½-241½
3-months 240½-241½
Zinc spot 28½-29½
3-months 28½-29½
Lead spot 28½-29½
3-months 28½-29½
Spirits 28½-29½
Spirits 28½-29½

NEW YORK FUTURES

Prices of metal futures today closed in 10¢ cents per lb. as follows:—

Lead June 14.70
July 14.70
August 14.70
September 14.70
October 14.70
November 14.70
December 14.70
January 14.70
February 14.70
March 14.70
April 14.70
May 14.70
June 14.70
Copper June 22.50
July 22.50
August 22.50
September 22.50
October 22.50
November 22.50
December 22.50
January 22.50
February 22.50
March 22.50
April 22.50
May 22.50
June 22.50

South Korean Cotton Industry Gets Help From Lancashire

Soul, June 1. Three men from Lancashire are playing a key part in a £1,000,000 air project designed to set the South Korean cotton spinning industry back on its feet.

Largely through their efforts, the project looks like being one of the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency's first real achievements in this war-torn country.

The three men are experts in the assembly and operation of cotton spinning equipment. Mr Jack Wilson is from Bolton, Mr John Edgar from Oldham and Mr Herbert Holt's home is in Accrington.

They are employees of a big British manufacturer of textile machinery and have been seconded to the United Nations organisation to get these cotton spinning mills in operation.

Their job is to teach Koreans how to put together and operate the intricate and costly mill machinery which is being imported with aid funds.

The three mills are privately owned. It is planned to spend about £1,000,000 to get the mills working and they will then be passed back to their owners.

Already more than £800,000 worth of machinery has been imported although not all of it has yet been assembled.

It includes 54,000 spindles with a capacity of 39,000,000 yards of fabric a year, enough to supply each man, woman and child in the country with about two yards of material.

Few of the Koreans employed at the mill have had previous experience with cotton spinning machinery and the job of teaching them "from scratch" has required infinite patience on the part of the Lancashire technicians. — China Mail Special.

New York Cotton Market

New York, June 1. Cotton traders today came back from a three-day holiday still in an indecisive frame of mind.

In another of the slowest sessions of the year, prices fluctuated over a narrow range, keeping a little above the previous market day's prices most of the time.

Trading volumes and open interests in the Exchange today were:

Month Volume Open interest
July 24,600 54,100
August 6,000 24,300
September 6,700 34,500
October 6,000 10,900
November 6,000 10,400
December 6,000 17,500
January 6,000 3,100
February 6,000 1,000
March 6,000 1,000
April 6,000 1,000
May 6,000 1,000
Total 110,000 1,000 bales

NEW YORK PRICES
New York, June 1. Spot 34.50-35.00
October 34.50-35.00
December 34.50-35.00
March 1955 34.50-35.00
May 34.50-35.00
July 34.50-35.00
October 34.50-35.00

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, June 1. Official prices for spot cotton as announced today, are, in pence per lb.:

Egyptian Giza good/tully/ 43.75 nom.
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Egyptian Karnak, good/ 49.10 nom.
American middling 36.00
American strict low mid- 32.25
American strict low mid- 30.40
Peruvian Tanguis tully/ 41.00
Brazilian Sao Paulo, good/ 33.50 nom.
Indian and Pakistan saw- 32.00 nom.
signed NT 3rd choice 31.30
Indian and Pakistan roller- 31.30
signed NT 3rd choice 30.65 nom.
signed 4-F 30.65 nom.

LIVERPOOL FUTURES

Cotton futures, in pence per lb., and based on American middling cotton, 15/10 inch, closed as follows:

July 31.81
August 31.75
September 31.75
October 31.75
November 31.75
December 31.75
January 31.75
February 31.75
March 31.75
April 31.75
May 31.75
June 31.75

NEW YORK SUGAR MARKET

New York, June 1. World No. 4 sugar futures closed today unchanged to 2 points lower with sales of 85 contracts.

Domestic No. 6 sugar futures closed unchanged to 1 point, lower with sales of 240 contracts.

World futures trading was hardly broad enough to develop a special feature, dealers said.

Domestic futures were moderately active on a mixed trade between dealers and re-

finers.

Flour closings:

Contract No. 4 (world) 2.25
July 2.25
September 2.25
October 2.25
November 2.25
December 2.25
January 2.25
February 2.25
March 2.25
April 2.25
May 2.25
June 2.25
Open interest: 5,245 contracts, United Press.

Contract No. 6 (world) 2.50
July 2.50
September 2.50
October 2.50
November 2.50
December 2.50
January 2.50
February 2.50
March 2.50
April 2.50
May 2.50
June 2.50
Open interest: 6,948 contracts, United Press.

CHICAGO GRAIN PRICES

Chicago, June 1. Prices per bushel in cents:—

Wheat, No. 2, red 1200
July 1200 (1954) 1200-14
September 1200
December 1200
March 1200
May 1200
July 1200
Wheat, No. 2, yellow 1210
July 1210 (1954) 1210-14
September 1210
December 1210
March 1210
May 1210
July 1210
Soybeans, No. 2, yellow 1700
July 1700 (1954) 1700-14
September 1700
December 1700
March 1700
May 1700
July 1700
Soybeans, No. 2, green 1710
July 1710 (1954) 1710-14
September 1710
December 1710
March 1710
May 1710
July 1710
Corn, No. 2 100
July 100 (1954) 100-14
September 100
December 100
March 100
May 100
July 100
Oats, No. 2 50
July 50 (1954) 50-14
September 50
December 50
March 50
May 50
July 50
Rye, No. 2 100
July 100 (1954) 100-14
September 100
December 100
March 100
May 100
July 100
Barley, No. 2 100
July 100 (1954) 100-14
September 100
December 100
March 100
May 100
July 100
Clover 100
July 100 (1954) 100-14
September 100
December 100
March 10

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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

A Costly Silence

IT is the boast of men from the north that they are blunt and forthright and say what they mean with no mincing of words. They are evidently certain, furthermore, that in all the opinions they hold they are in the right, and that all who disagree with them are simulators or fools.

For the sake of peace, the wives of these men on an outward show of agreement with their husbands and resist the temptation to call them pig-headed.

The wives do not argue. Instead, by many a strategy, they manage to avoid the painful truth. They are not pig-headed. They are simply too subtle to say what they mean in their own words.

FREE SPEECH
NOWHERE in the north do men hold higher opinions of their own opinions than in Manchester. Nowhere in the north, in consequence, are wives more skilled in the gentle art of getting the better of an argument by saying nowt.

A Manchester housewife named Millicent has been on holiday in London recently. She started one evening to the Meeting Ground at Marble Arch to enjoy half-an-hour or so of free speech.

Walking among the rostrums she came upon one speaker whose every other word offended her sense of what was right and proper.

ROCKING THE BOAT

NOW those who disagree with what is said at the Meeting Ground make their feelings known as a rule by heckling and giving the speaker a piece of their mind. Not so Millicent for being the wife of a Manchester man, argument went against the grain with her. Instead, she edged through the crowd until she reached a point close to the rostrum. Still she said nothing, just stood there looking up at the speaker as if she were his most devoted admirer.

Then she got her knee against the flimsy rostrum, and very gently began to rock it, so that the speaker nearly over-balanced. He tried to keep his balance, but came so near to falling that discreetly he jumped to the ground and removed the contribution to a sign, a dozen yards away.

FUN OR...?

HIS flock obediently followed him. So did Millicent, and started her rock-a-bye tactics again.

The meeting's chairman spotted her at it. "Don't do that," he said, "no way."

"No," said Millicent, who is a well-built woman of 30. A policeman came over then. A situation was explained to him, and Millicent was again asked to move. As she still refused, she was arrested. Next morning at Marlborough Street she pleaded not guilty to using insulting behaviour whereby a breach of the peace might have been occasioned. "Was she trying to cause some fun, or did she disagree with the speaker?" Mr. Paul Bennett, VC, the magistrate, inquired of the policeman who told him the story.

THE PRICE OF SILENCE

"SHE didn't agree with the speaker," the officer replied.

"I'm sorry, it'll not happen again," said Millicent, when she was asked what she wished to say.

"Where are you from?" Mr. Bennett asked her. Millicent told him.

"Most people from Manchester, nearly all people from Manchester have got a lot of sense," said Mr. Bennett handsomely. "You don't seem to have much sense." Millicent marched angrily away. It really vexed her, said her expression, to discover that in a place like the Meeting Ground where speech was free, silence could be so expensive.

Hongkong In Pictures

"This is Hongkong" is the title of a pictorial booklet produced, printed and published this week by the South China Morning Post, Ltd.—a volume that is certain to attract considerable attention both in the Colony and overseas.

It is the most comprehensive photographic record of Hongkong yet attempted. The book contains more than 300 graphic and artistic pictures depicting the Colony in all its forms.

The first section is devoted to outstanding buildings, landmarks, street scenes, the more popular bathing beaches, with the camera taking the viewer through the city of Victoria, around the harbour, and through many parts of urban Kowloon. It is a fascinating study of the Colony—ancient and modern.

They follow a camera trip through the rural New Territories, and then a superb section devoted to what the chapter title calls "Hongkong's Upsurge of Industrialisation." These photographs will be a cyclopaedia to many Hongkongites, who will be able to appreciate, possibly for the first time, to what extent Hongkong's industries have developed over recent years. And not only are the industries—heavy, light and cottage—fully illustrated, but the handicrafts are also given their rightful prominence in this pictorial panorama.

OTHER FEATURES

Other features of Hongkong's life which are superbly portrayed include the fishery, sports, the local film industry, social welfare activities, and the Chinese New Year festival.

Of historical interest are photographs recapturing the pageantry of the Coronation as it was celebrated in Hongkong. Finally to round off a well selected, attractively arranged gallery of photographs, is a section titled "This is Hongkong", comprising fascinating old prints of the early days of the Colony and including a fine colour plate illustrating the mounting of the Guard in Hongkong in 1842.

This is a publication guaranteed to win general approval. The pictures are splendidly printed on glossy paper and are appropriately captioned. The text, quite properly, is made wholly subordinate to the photographs. This is essentially a pictorial story of Hongkong—and a very commendable one.

"This is Hongkong" is being offered for sale at \$5.50, and is obtainable from the Hongkong and Kowloon offices of the South China Morning Post, Ltd.

New Club Opening

A club for point use by members of the Civil Aid Services and Auxiliary Medical Service is at present being prepared by Government in part of the State Square huts adjacent to the Supreme Court. The Club, which is designed after the style of an English inn, will have an up-to-date restaurant to seat about 80 persons, a kitchen, a bar, a reading and games room and an office.

One of the aims of the Club is to provide a good cheap lunch which should be within the reach of most members of both organisations.

All serving members of the Civil Aid Services and Auxiliary Medical Service may become members, but membership ceases immediately on resignation or discharge.

The Club will be incorporated under the Companies Ordinance, and the inaugural Committee will consist of Messrs T. Adair Martin, Chairman, A.J. Butcher, Solomon Rafeek, Au Man So, H.L. Kwan, E. Sahmet, Rev. P.B. Philipson and Miss Audrey Unthank.

The Colonial Secretary, the Hon. R.B. Black, CMG, OBE and Mrs. Black have kindly agreed to open the Club premises on Thursday, June 10, at 5.30 p.m.

Dr. J.C. Yee, Director of Medical and Health Services, and Mr. R. C. Lee, OBE, Acting Commissioner of Civil Aid Services, together with Senior Officers of AMS and CAS will attend the opening ceremony.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Why don't you throw out those old pin-ups you had in the Army? Surely you don't want to be reminded of the war!"

Crown Appeals Against Judge's Decision

The Crown contended that the reasons given by Judge A. D. Scholes for his quashing of a charge of conspiracy brought against five men and a woman in respect of squatter resettlement were bad in law, declared the Acting Attorney-General, the Hon. Arthur Hooton, QC, this morning applying to the Full Court for orders certiorari and mandamus against the Judge.

The charge that Judge Scholes ruled out because he was not satisfied that the particulars of the charge constituted an offence was the first against Cheung Kau-wah, Chow Chun-yin, Au Shiu-sang, Ng Hau, So Ping-kwong and Mary Daisy Wong Mang-tung, alleging that they had conspired with others not in custody, between January and February this year, by fraudulent means and dishonest devices, to obtain from the Urban Council, permits under the Squatter Resettlement Areas Regulations for persons who had misrepresented, or failed to disclose, their true circumstances relative to residence. It was to enquire into this matter.

Mr. Hooton submitted that there could not be a more cogent charge of effecting a public mischief than that. The legislation intended persons in need of and meriting assistance for resettlement. The decision as to who fell into this category of persons rested with the Urban Council. If persons got together by false representations to the Urban Council to obtain permits to occupy these areas they were defeating the whole purpose of the legislation and preventing persons genuinely in need of and meriting assistance from getting it.

The Full Court comprised the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice T. J. Gaudin, and Puisne Judge Mr. Justice C. W. Rennie. Appearing with Mr. Hooton for the Crown was Mr. D. F. O. Mayne, Senior Crown Counsel. Mr. Brook A. Bernacchi and Mr. Oswald Cheung, instructed by Mr. A. Lui, and Mr. S. V. Gittins, instructed by Mr. P. H. Sun, appeared for the six defendants in the District Court case.

Mr. Hooton said that Judge Scholes adopted the arguments of Mr. Cheung and said that he was not satisfied that the particulars of that first charge constituted an offence. The Judge, however, did not base his decision on the argument of Mr. Cheung that either the regulations or the laws under which the charge was made were ultra vires.

BASED ON DISTINCTION

Mr. Cheung's submission adopted by the Judge were based on the distinction between the present charge and that in the case of the Queen v. Newland (1953), said Mr. Hooton, proceeding to read the charge which concerned a charge of conspiracy to effect public mischief to effect the defendants conspired by fraudulent means to obtain, and

by dishonest devices to distribute to the home market, decorated domestic pottery which was not available in the UK by the means of an order. This case was the latest expression of the law of conspiracy to effect public mischief and was in mind when the present charge was drafted, said Mr. Hooton.

CITES REGULATIONS

The law referred to were the Emergency Resettlement Areas Regulations, 1952, said Mr. Hooton reading Regulations 3 and 4 which he said were the most important relating to the charge. The former regulation was that in an emergency the Governor's Council could authorise the Urban Council to set aside land for the resettlement of persons meriting assistance as to resettlement. This land was set aside for the resettlement of a certain category of persons. Regulation 4 provided that on the land set aside for the resettlement of persons in need of and meriting assistance, buildings may be erected by permit from the Urban Council, and that certain conditions of the Building Ordinance should not apply to these buildings where a permit is given.

These were emergency measures to provide people in urgent need of resettlement who merited assistance with land on which houses could be built for them and this land was placed at the disposal of the Urban Council, said Mr. Hooton. Under Regulation 10 no one was permitted to construct a house in these areas except under permit and the application for such was to be made in writing to the Chief Resettlement Officer. The proper form of permit was also prescribed.

"I submit that it is just as much a matter of state secrets to settle persons in need of and meriting assistance in Hongkong as it was in the UK at the time of the pottery orders to settle the export drive. There is no doubt it is a matter of greatest concern to the Government and to its population, and it permits to build houses with the land set aside for people who merit assistance are issued to persons who are not in need of, and do not merit assistance, the whole object of the legislation is defeated," said the Attorney-General.

CONSPIRACY DECISION

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SLOSS IN WITNESS BOX

Tells Of Memory Lapses Due To Concussion PROSECUTION CONCLUDES CASE IN MANSLAUGHTER TRIAL

Evidence of how he suffered concussion while playing rugby at St Edward's School, Oxford, in 1937, and how on subsequent occasions since then, he had had lapses of memory was given by Geoffrey Duncan Sloss, 30, of 375A The Peak, this morning at the Criminal Sessions before an all-male Jury trying him on a charge of manslaughter.

Testifying on his own behalf, Sloss said that in 1939, while still at school, he could not remember anything right after a boxing match, and in March 1952 he again had a black-out during an exercise of the Royal Hongkong Defence Force, of which he was a member.

As to the events immediately following part of a night at the Skyroom on February 24, this year, he said he had no recollection whatsoever, and the next thing he knew he was at Queen Mary Hospital.

Sloss, No. 1 have no recollection of that. Do you remember yourself crying and talking a lot of nonsense?—I have no recollection.

Do you remember walking about in your unit's mess area, with your bayonet fixed on your rifle, which was slung over your shoulder?—No.

Sloss went on to say that he started drinking after the war. He would say that he was used to drinking. His ordinary drink was rum, either with coca-cola or with water. He had been driving a car and motorcycle between seven and eight years. The witness here finished his evidence-in-chief, and his cross-examination began. Hearing is proceeding.

Together with them. They were sitting at an adjacent table. He remembered leaving the Skyroom at about 2 a.m. He had no recollection of any events after leaving the place. The next thing he remembered was the casualty ward of the Queen Mary Hospital. He remembered seeing a white-coated Chinese nurse holding a syringe apparently containing blood. He now knew him to be Dr. Huang. He did not remember being examined by Dr. Huang for drunkenness. He did not remember telling Dr. Huang that he could not remember anything that happened the night before.

From Queen Mary Hospital, Sloss continued, he was taken to Eastern Police Station, on the morning of the 25th. There he met his wife and two friends, Mr. Axtell and Mr. Daniel. Mr. Axtell was present on leave in the United Kingdom. On his arrival at the Station, Mr. Daniel drew his attention to a bruise in the region of his right temple. He had no recollection at all of receiving that morning, the bruise was discussed by his wife and Mr. Axtell, in the presence of Inspector Eggleston. Mr. Carr, his solicitor, also noticed the bruise.

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BOXING BOUT
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He was subsequently treated for an eye and nose injury by the school doctor, Dr. Franklin West. In March 1952, he went on, he was already a member of the Defence Force. During that month he took part in Exercise "Vortex." Mr. Liddington of the Colonial Secretariat, who he said would be giving evidence, was responsible for his particular unit in the exercise.

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BLACK-OUT
Some time that day, as he was checking vehicles, there was a period during which he could not recall what was going on. When he came to, he found himself seated with his back against a red brick building, which he believed was an installation of the Hongkong Electric Company.

He did not remember anything of the events that took place just before he came to. Mr. Justice Gaudin then asked if witness meant that he had a complete "black-out" while at Wanachai Gap. Sloss replied that was so. Sloss, looking at the three Americans, said: "They were not his friends, however, and he did not have any drink together with them."

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He was subsequently treated for an eye and nose injury by the school doctor, Dr. Franklin West. In March 1952, he went on, he was already a member of the Defence Force. During that month he took part in Exercise "Vortex." Mr. Liddington of the Colonial Secretariat, who he said would be giving evidence, was responsible for his particular unit in the exercise.

Sloss said he was assigned with a section of men to check traffic on a certain road in the Wanachai Gap area. He was with Mr. Axtell, Sergeant Tanner and another man called McCall—McCowan. Tanner was now in Singapore. McCall-McCowan would also be called to give evidence.

BLACK-OUT
Some time that day, as he was checking vehicles, there was a period during which he could not recall what was going on. When he came to, he found himself seated with his back against a red brick building, which he believed was an installation of the Hongkong Electric Company.

Building New Vietnam Army

Salgou, June 2.
General Nguyen Van Hinh, Chief of Staff of the young Vietnamese Army, said here today his country would have "nurturing divisions" entirely composed of Vietnamese in action against the Vietminh before the end of this year.

In speech at a passing out parade of newly commissioned officers, he said: "Before the end of the year, the growth and development of our national army will have plenty of surprise for you."

"You will see on the field of battle numerous divisions entirely Vietnamese under the national command. A new phase will begin for the national army."

That is the national day of Vietnam, Indo-China's largest and richest state.

Hitherto the largest purely Vietnamese formations fighting the French have been mobile groups—armoured columns at about 3,000 men.

Divisions for which the French have been busy training staff officers in Hanoi in the past year will probably be about 10,000 strong each.—Reuters.

Maintainers Fed In Quest

Calcutta, June 1.
A Japanese expedition attempting to conquer the 24,299-foot Himal has failed, according to sherpas returning to the Nepalese capital of Kathmandu, reports received here today said.

It reports quoted the sherpas who accompanied the four-man expedition as saying that the Japanese had abandoned the attempt in face of adverse weather and because the approach to the peak from the side which they were making the climb was too steep.

An alternative approach to the summit lies in Tibetan territory now under Communist domination which the expedition did not permit to enter.—Herald.

FIRE DESTROYS BOOM FACTORY

A fire which started at 11.50 this morning completely gutted the booming factory of the 2nd Airborne Brigade, which was situated at the foot of 204, Prince Street, a boom factory.

The 2nd Airborne Brigade was summoned as soon as the fire broke out and brought it under control within 45 minutes.

There were no casualties.